



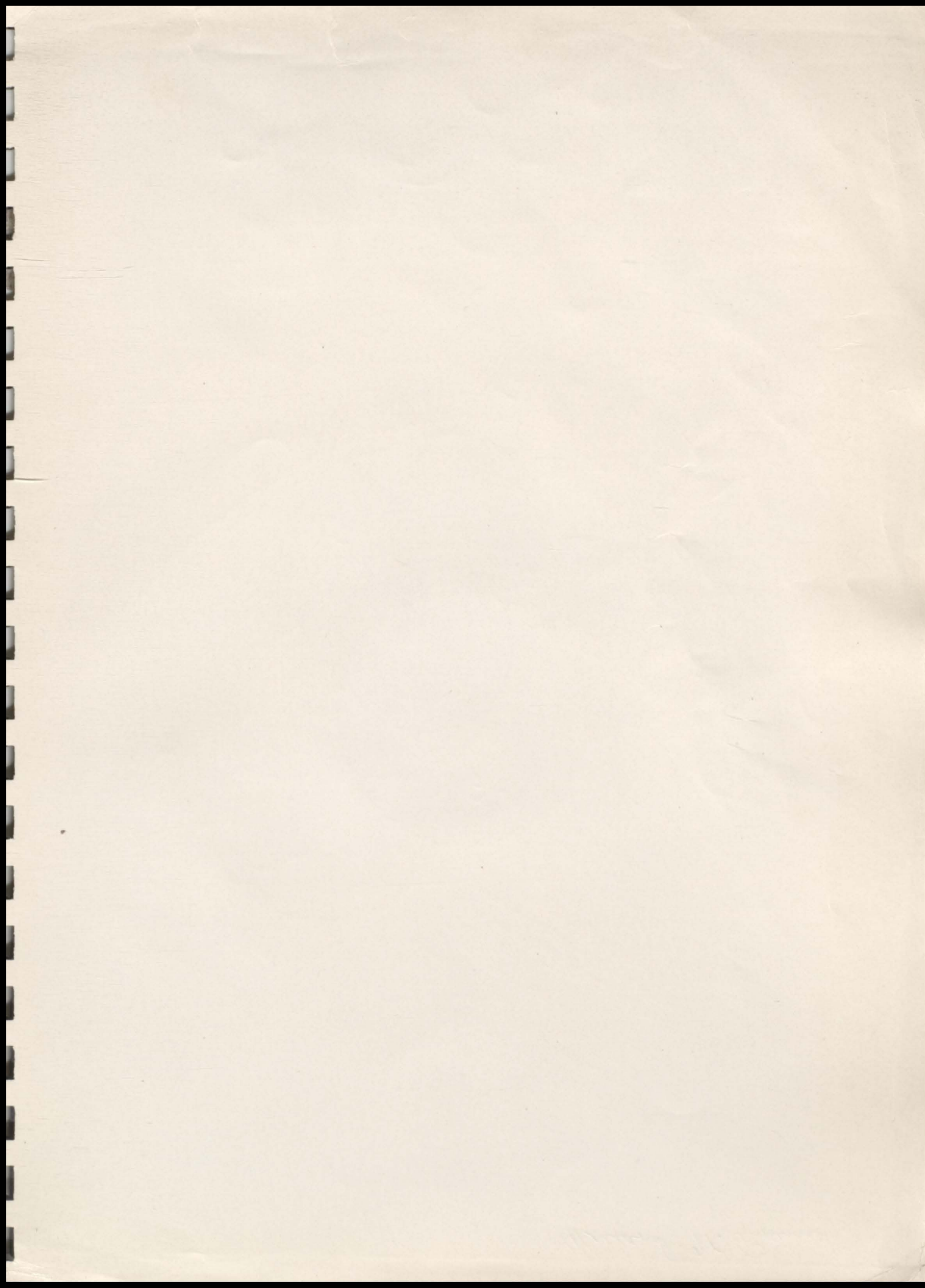
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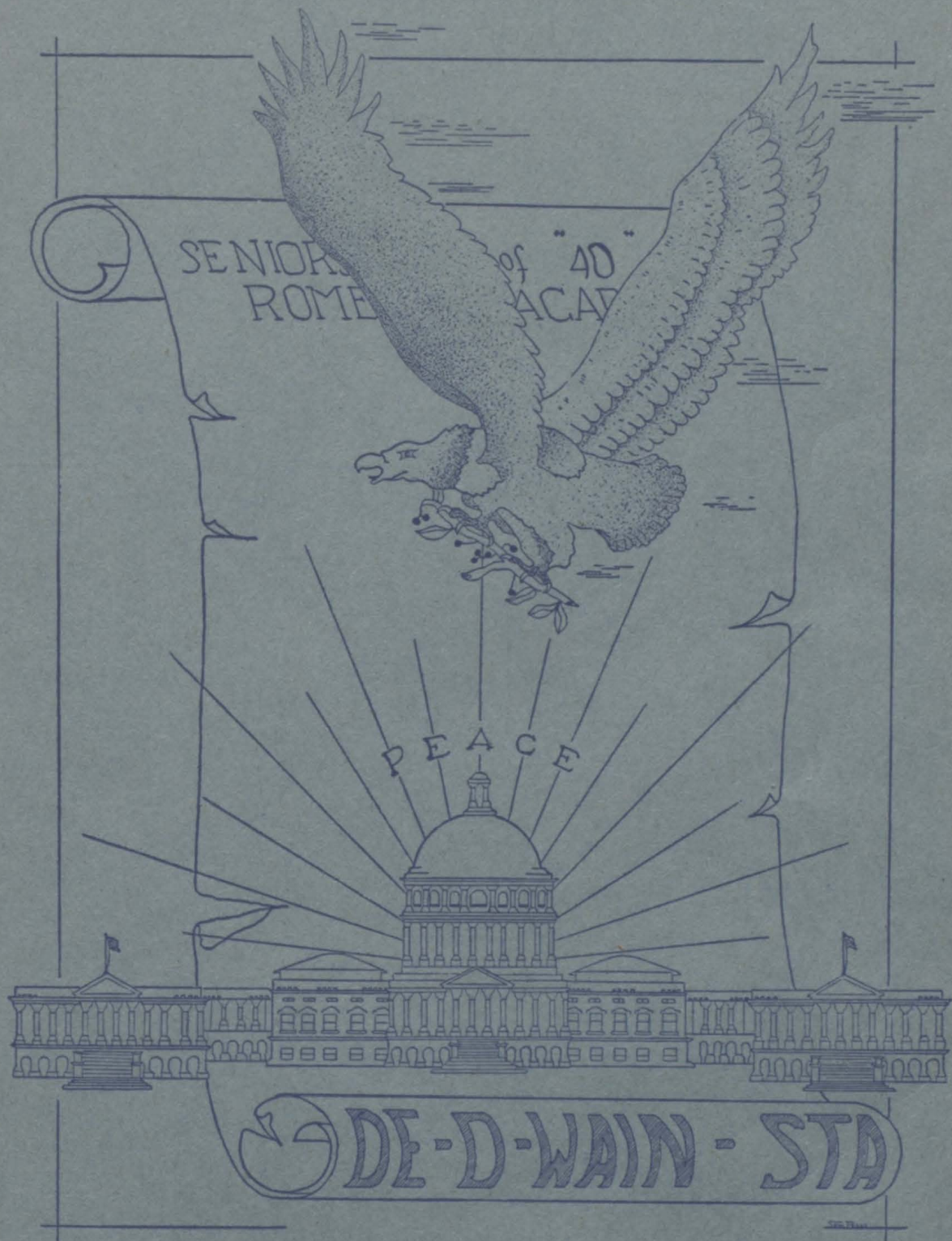
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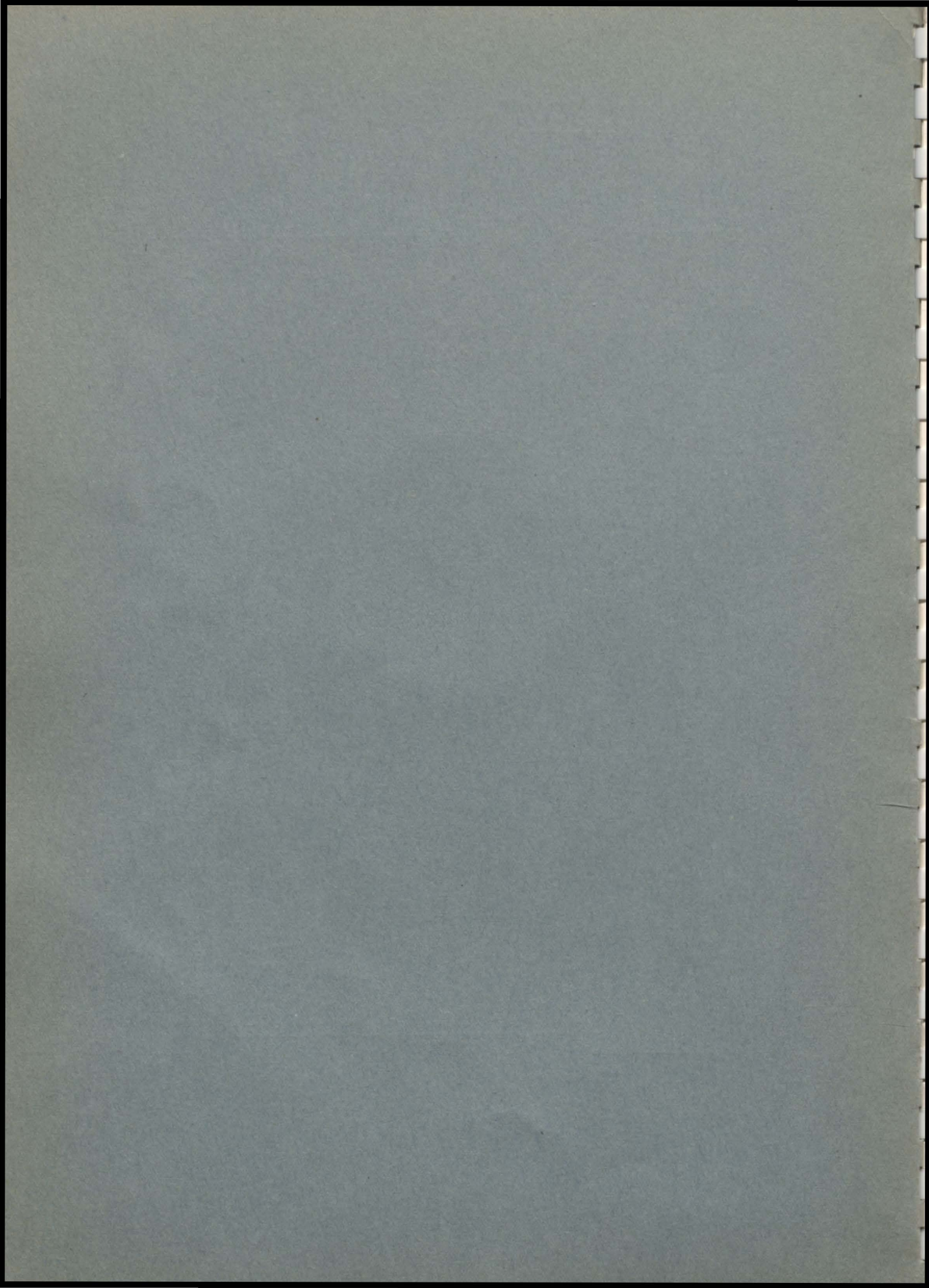












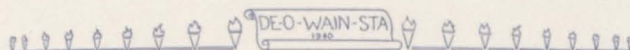


## Dedication



MR. GRAY TAYLOR

We, the class of 1940, dedicate our De-O-Wain-Sta to Mr. Gray N. Taylor, whose fair play and sincere understanding have created among the students a more democratic spirit.



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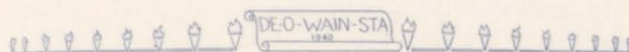
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ART THEME

Possessing the true American spirit, the class of 1940 frowns on the European countries and their wars, and selects "Peace" as the theme of the De-O-Wain-Sta.



MR. GEORGE R. STALEY, Superintendent





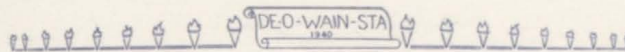
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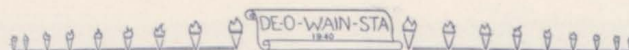




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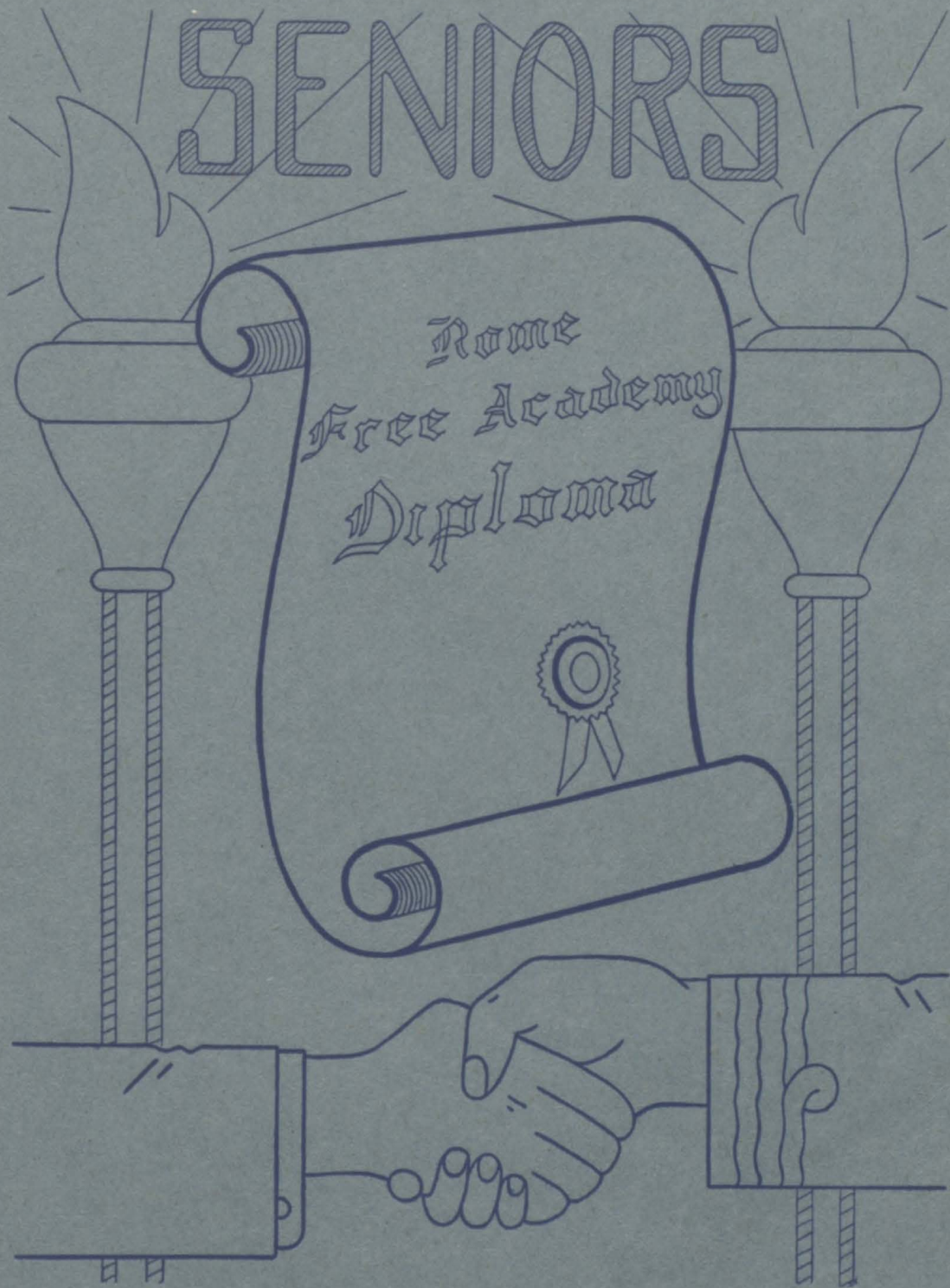




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## NANCY MELVINA ACKERMAN

Who else can cram more fun into her life than "Hacky"?

Gym "R"; Archery Club; Dramatics Club; French Club; Treasurer; Debate Club; Senior Play.

## ANTHONY J. AGONE

Music is his hobby.  
Band; Orchestra.

## MARJORY AHLES

Marjorie's quite a snappy dresser, and these old halls are going to miss her.  
Junior Class Secretary; Debate Club.

## DOMINICK ANDRONACO

He never left a job half done.  
President Dante Club; Vice-President Science Forum; De-O-Wain-Sta; Varsity Basketball; National Honor Society.

## JESSIE ALONGE

A quiet and indispensable senior.  
Home Economics Club; Gym "R."

## THOMAS AQUINO

By the work one knows the workman.  
Dante Club.

## MARY ROSE ANGELO

The girl for the ages is Mary.  
Chorus; Gym "R."





### AILEEN ARMSTRONG

Aileen has a way with the boys—and the girls!

### ROBERT ATKINSON

Bob, we hear, is the Don Juan of the skating rink.

Student Council.

### NAOMI BAKER

Naomi is an athlete fair;  
She has dark eyes and deep brown hair.  
Any time you'd like a grin  
Just call on her, she's always in.

Basketball.

### MAX BAKER

Max is the kind of fellow that would walk into a funeral home eating an apple, spit out the seeds and say, "Howdy, folks, where's the body?"

### JULIA BALDINI

Julia's voice is sweet and low  
As I'm sure you all must know.  
She can classic; she can swing.  
As a matter of fact, she's quite the thing.

A Cappella Choir; Orchestra; Student Council;  
De-O-Wain-Sta; Junior National Honor Society;  
Senior Play; National Honor Society.

### LOUIS BARBATO

We don't know much about "Chip"; so we say, "Form your own conclusions."

### JOSEPHINE BARTOLOMEO

Josephine, to you we lend  
Unending happiness, my friend.



## MARIE BARTLETT

Let her deeds speak for her.  
Band; Orchestra; Bowling; Archery Club.

## RALPH BARONE

His motto: "Laugh, and Prof. laughs with you—frown and you flunk the course."

## ELLEN A. BATES

"My mind is gay but my soul is melancholy."

## JOSEPH BARTOLOTTI

R. F. A.'s walking Esquire.

## RUTH BATES

Ruth is the gal with the intriguing voice—ask her English class!  
National Junior Honor Society; Library Council; Press Club.

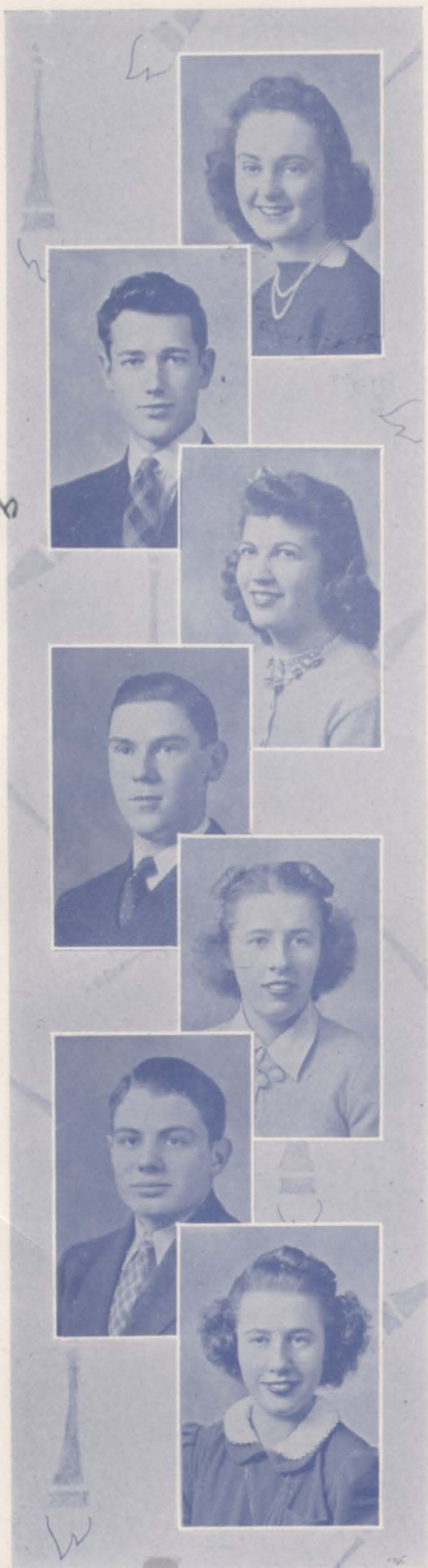
## FRANCIS BAYNES

The Lone Ranger of the R. F. A.  
Beta Hi-Y; Track; Chorus; Student Council.

## ESTHER L. BEERS

Esther's activities in clubs and in the office keep her busy!  
National Junior Honor Society; Chorus; Student Council; Basketball; Press Club; Roman Forum; Gym "R"; National Honor Society.





### BETTY BLACKBURN

Trip the light fantastic,  
But you won't seem quite so smooth  
As Betty, when her flashing heels  
Are really in the groove.

Student Council.

### ROBERT BEASLEY

What's Bob's keen interest in Play Production Class?

Tennis "R."

### MARY BONOMO

Mary is that pretty maid  
Who, through these portals, oft has strayed.  
Home Economics Club.

### CLINTON BELLINGER

One of our quiet and reserved "greats."

### DORIS BRONSON

A noiseless soprano who is sure to appear  
singing "Silent Night" and "The Song Without Words."

Chorus.

### JAMES BOX

Ladies first, but next comes the auto engine.  
Chorus.

### DOROTHY BRONSON

A great pal! We'll all miss you, Dorothy,  
Chorus.



### MARY ANN BUSH

The "Ec" Club is one of many reasons  
Why Mary Ann seems to us so pleasin'.  
Home Economics Club.

### ANGELO BRAVO

"Set 'em up, boy!"  
Speech Club.

### BETTY CAMERON

Quality through diligence.  
German Club.

### CLARK E. BRIGGS

Since Clark's been up at R. F. A.  
He's helped on some job every day.  
Student Council claims his attention  
And other activities too numerous to mention.  
Student Council; Beta Hi-Y; Junior Honor So-  
ciety; Cheerleader; Business Manager De-O-  
Wain-Sta; National Honor Society; Junior Rota-  
rian for month of May.

### THERESA CAPONERA

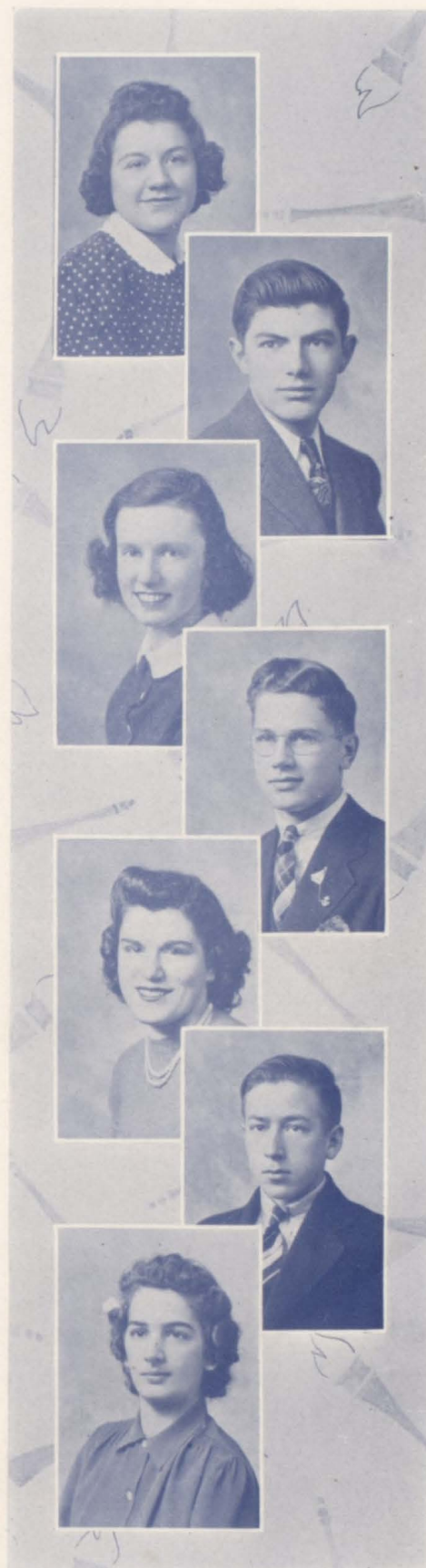
Teddy's fun and really swell;  
Let's all hope she succeeds as well.  
Dante Club; Il Foro Staff.

### EMIL BURK

Scientifically minded, that's Emil.

### CLARA CIANCIO

Clara has many links in her chain of friend-  
ship.







### DOLORES COLANGELO

Oh! tell me, pretty maiden,  
The secret of your looks.  
You have what any girl would want  
And still are smart with books!

Junior National Honor Society; Press Club;  
Chorus; Gym "R"; Basketball "R"; National  
Honor Society; Academic Honor.

### ANTHONY CARAMBIA

We don't know which art Tony excels in—  
play-actin', courtin', or photography.  
De-O-Wain-Sta.

### LEONA CORR

Leona has a "Payne" in her heart.

### MARIO CARRADO

You've heard of the "Man in the Iron Mask"  
—now we introduce the "Man in the Model  
T."

### VELMA CROOK

Velma's scholastic and extra-curricular ac-  
tivities are to be marveled at.

Treasurer of Junior Honor Society; Girls' Fresh-  
man Prize; Press Club; Speech Club; Girls'  
Bowling Team; Debate Club; De-O-Wain-Sta;  
National Honor Society; Academic Honor.

### JOE CATALANO

"Cash" is going to step into Mr. Palombi's  
shoes soon—he's our Italian whizz!

### MARY E. CUPAK

Mary's neat and very sweet;  
Smiles at us whene'er we meet.  
Home Economics Club.



## ROSE CURCIO

Don't get the idea that silence denotes lack of intelligence.

## MAYFRED CHOMO

"What good is what you've got, if you're not having any fun" is Mayfred's motto.  
De-O-Wain-Sta.

## ROSE DE GEORGE

Rose's shyness is different from that of the other girls—hers is an asset!

## GEORGE CIABOTTI

A hard worker, and a regular fellow—that's George!

## ANGELINE DE PALMA

Angeline is trying to catch a cold so she can use her Christmas handkerchiefs.

## DOMINICK CICCONI

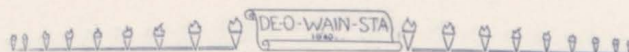
"Friendliness assured."  
Basketball.

## ANGELINE DI BERARDINO

Good things come in small packages!







### THOMAS ROSCOE COLUCCIO

Tom was once a **will-be**;  
Tom will never be a **has-been**;  
Tommy is an **is**.

President Sophomore Class; President Junior Class; Secretary Beta Hi-Y; Vice-President Beta Hi-Y; Football Manager; Secretary Advisory Board; President National Junior Honor Society; Treasurer Student Council; Band; National Honor Society; Editor-in-Chief of De-O-Wain-Sta; Junior Rotarian.

### ROSE VIOLET Di DONE

Quality plus—what more can we say?

### JACK COPPERSMITH

His smile will never be forgotten.  
Football.

### JEAN MARGARET DORN

"J" is for jolly, joking and jest.  
Jean is all of them as you have guessed.

### ROBERT COVENTRY

Perseverance brings success.  
Football; Basketball Manager; Science Forum;  
Alpha Hi-Y; National Honor Society.

### LE MOYNE EILEEN DORN

When you need some clothes advice  
Ask Le Moyne—she's just that nice.

### STEPHEN A. D'AMORE

Stephen keeps the ball rolling.  
Dante Club.

*"Success & Happiness"*  
*Start*



## JANET DOWD

Here's to our Janet—"Mistress of Speech."  
Debate Club; Speech Club; French Club; Slinger-  
land Second Prize '39; Second Place State Speak-  
ing Tournaments Dramatic Declamation; Home  
Economics Club; De-O-Wain-Sta; Senior Play;  
National Honor Society.

## ROCCO DARKANGELO

A fine fellow who makes this school a better  
place in which to study.

## MARY DRON

The boys think that Mary's both the artist  
and the model.  
De-O-Wain-Sta.

## EUGENE R. DAVIDSON

One needs no directions to find "Gene"—  
just follow the line of least resistance to the  
point of greatest noise.  
Alpha Hi-Y; Chorus.

## MARION JANE DUBECK

Marion is a pretty girl,  
One who dresses very well;  
Keeps herself so very neat;  
Here's a girl we'd all call sweet.  
Chorus; Home Economics Club; Student Council.

## JACK DE AGAZIO

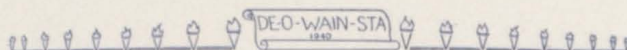
The reason for the orchestra's success.  
Band; Orchestra.

## MARY DUBLANICA

If all secretaries were as attractive as Mary,  
business would take a downhill run.  
Treasurer and Secretary of Home Economics  
Club; President of Veritas Vincit.







### VIRGINIA EDEL

Virginia's popularity is well deserved.

### PAUL DE GRAZIO

Harry James's No. 1 understudy.  
Band; Il Foro Staff.

### BERNICE ELPHICK

Bernice is a pretty name;  
Here's our bet for future fame.  
Basketball; Home Economics Club.

### LYNN DONALDSON

Lynn's worth more than his **weight** in gold.  
Student Council.

### CARMELLA FAUCI

Carmella may speak French;  
But the part that we like best  
Is Carmella's sunny smile,  
With which we're always blest.  
French Club.

### FRANK DONOFRIO

Pluck is Frank's middle name.  
Il Foro Staff; Dante Club; National Honor  
Society.

### ADELINE FAZZI

Adeline has many friends at R. F. A.



## VIRGINIA NAN FIELDING

"Oh, Johnny!"

Secretary of French Club; Roman Forum; Press Club; Gym "R"; Archery Club; Senior Play.

## ERNEST DOTY

Ernest's friendliness makes up for his lack of activities.

## DOROTHY FIKE

Bound to succeed if the good work is carried on as in her studies.

Junior National Honor Society.

## RICHARD DOTY

I have often regretted my silence, never my speech!

Band; Chorus; President Alpha Hi-Y; Football; Student Council; Vice-President Speech Club.

## RUTH E. FISCHER

Nice, petite, cute and sweet—  
A better friend you'll never meet.

Basketball; Library Council; Home Economics Club.

## WALTER DRUMLUK

An "Ace" on hand is worth two in the deck.

## ALICE M. FLANIGAN

"Do you remember sweet Alice, Ben Bolt?"



*Smooth  
Sailing  
"Ace"*





### DOROTHY M. FRANCESCONE

A cheery way,  
A smile, a song—  
But, what will we do  
When our Dorothy's gone?

Student Council; Archery Club; Basketball; Gym  
"R"; Chorus.

### GLENN DUERR

"So I'll say goodnight to the ladies and go  
out and get some more."

Alpha Hi-Y; Chorus; German Club; Student  
Council; National Honor Society.

### ADELAIDE GARCIA

We call her "Hip-a-hay Garcia" 'cause she's  
cheer-ie.

Basketball; Cheerleader.

### JACK ENSMINGER

Jack likes trips to Utica in a truck—we  
wonder why!

### CARMELLA GENTILE

Carmella is happy;  
Carmella is gay;  
Let's give her a cheer—  
What do you say!

### MARIE GIANANTI

One of our most admired seniors.  
Chorus.

### JOE FERLO JR.

"This party is getting tame. I'm going  
home."  
Dante Club.



## ANN MARIE GIARDINO

Here is our classmate, Ann,  
Friendly, loyal, and always on hand.  
Home Economics Club.

## SAM FERRARI

Pinti's right hand man.  
Band.

## THELMA GOODWIN

Laugh, and the whole class laughs with you.

## EMILIO FELIX FESTA

My only complaint is that the passing belles  
disturb my slumbers.  
Football, Dante Club.

## ROSE MARIE GRIECO

Rose is quiet, maybe shy,  
A friend on whom one can rely.  
Home Economics Club.

## ROBERT FIDLER

Bob's car certainly has served him—in more  
than one way!

## ANTOINETTE GRIECO

It's quality, rather than quantity, that counts  
in Pee-Wee's case.  
Chorus; Basketball; Dramatics Club; Debate  
Club; Secretary Speech Club; Archery Club;  
Press Club; Dante Club; Cheerleader; Gym "R."



*Olivia Saville*  
"Bob"



### LENA GUASPARI

The Dante Club was lucky in having Lena as a member!  
Secretary of Dante Club; Chorus.

### DONALD L. FLAGG

Don's only regret is that he has but one life to give to the Normandie.  
Alpha Hi-Y.

### ANTOINETTE GUIDA

"Are there any more home like you?"  
Library Council; Chorus; A Cappella Choir; Senior Play.

### MAX FRANZ

"The very hair on my head  
Stands up for dread."

### VIOLA GUIDA

How fortunate that our class is blessed with both Antoinette and Viola!  
Library Council; A Cappella Choir.

### BURTON FRENCH

Continued success is in store for Bert!

### RUTH HIGHAM

Who says that beautiful girls are dumb?  
National Junior Honor Society; President of French Club; A Cappella Choir; Senior Play; National Honor Society; Valedictorian.



## BEVERLY HOOKE

Every girl envies "Bev's" popularity. Vice-President of Junior Honor Society; D. A. R. Award; Advisory Board; President Press Club; Treasurer French Club; Vice-President of Student Association; President Student Council; Vice-President Sophomore Class; A Cappella Choir; Senior D. A. R. Award; De-O-Wain-Sta; National Honor Society.

## ARTHUR GAROFALO

The spark plug of the American history classes.

## STEPHANIE HNATOWSKY

Her greatest discovery—A new shade of finger nail polish.  
De-O-Wain-Sta.

## MAURICE GARY

Always a regular guy—that's Maurice!

## VICTORIA HOLODY

Well, Vicky, your four years are up—Now what?

## PAUL GENTILE

Paul and his music are like half past six.

## OLGA HRECZKOSIJ

A nice girl to get along with.







### STELLA MARTA JACKSINA

Her motto: "Nothing to do and plenty of time to do it."

### IRVING GEORGE

Bud's acting can put even the Barrymores to shame!

Speech Club; Chorus.

### GLADYS ETHELYN JONES

Gladys's good nature and ability are sought by every school club.

Home Economics Club; Treasurer Home Economics Club; President Home Economics Club; Roman Forum; Press Club; Library Council; National Honor Society; A Cappella Choir.

### MIKE GORDON

A good egg and a white guy—the yoke's on you.

Football.

### NORMA JONES

Norma has so many friends,  
All who think she's grand;  
May the future hands extend  
And happiness expand.

Junior National Honor Society; French Club; Student Council; National Honor Society.

### WILLIAM THOMAS GOWANS

Knowledge is gained by experimentation.

### PHYLLIS KARCHER

We wonder if Phyllis's tennis ability will produce a second Alice Marble for the class of '40.

National Honor Society.



### MAZIE KELLS

"So little, yet so big."  
Student Council; Home Economics Club; Chorus.

### CARMEN S. GRASSO

Ask Carmen about "The Madman."  
Dante Club Vice-President; Senior Play; National Honor Society.

### EDNA KROLL

Don't get discouraged, Krolly;  
You've passed the hardest spot.  
Chorus; Basketball.

### LYNN GREENE

Think he's a saint, huh?  
Well, he ain't.

### STELLA KWARCIAK

"Peppy" likes to laugh and play,  
For thus her hours are spent each day.

### ALFRED GRIESSEN

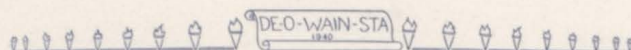
A fine fellow—everyone admires "Al."

### SOFIE LA QUAY

Sophie causes quite a qualm  
In the hearts of wall-flowers shy;  
She's got rhythm at the helm  
That makes boards beneath her fry.  
Chorus; Basketball; Archery Club; Home Economics Club.







### CLARA M. LAUBER

"Pure of heart and sound of head."

Archery Club; Home Economics Club; Debate Club; Chorus; A Cappella Choir.

### ROBERT JAMES GRIFFIN

That wavy hair of Bob's could give Gable a race!

De-O-Wain-Sta.

### RUTH LENNON

Ruth wants to be a "Mullen-aire."

Archery Club; Home Economics Club; Chorus; Speech Club.

### JOHN E. GROGAN

We call him "Cookie" 'cause he's sweet.

Band; Football.

### MILDRED LEWICKI

Never was a better sport  
To grace our honored gym;  
Never was a girl so filled  
With good old-fashioned vim.

Junior National Honor Society; Girls' Basketball; Basketball "R."

### WILLIAM GROFF

Bill's quite a hockey star, we hear!

Beta Hi-Y; Debate Club.

### MARGARET LIDDELL

"She's all my fancy painted her;  
She's lovely, she's divine."

De-O-Wain-Sta; Chorus; A Cappella Choir; Library Council.

## ANN LOPUSZYNSKI

Ann's fingers are in every scholastic pie—especially the German pie.

Veritas Vincit Club; Junior Honor Society; Debate Club; Home Economics; Library Council; Vice-President Press Club; President German Club; Science Forum; Secretary National Honor Society; Academic Honor.

## JACK GROFF

Not **the** Jack Groff?

## SHIRLEY LONG

Shirley's quite a busy girl;  
She leads her friends a merry whirl.  
Archery Club; Gym "R"; Academic Honor.

## SALVATORE GUGLIELMO

Sal's flashy bow ties have become an institution.  
Speech Club; Football.

## SOPHIE LUBECKI

Gone—but most **certainly** not forgotten.

## HAROLD E. GYPSON

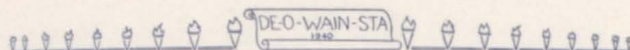
How about a toot on the tooter, "Crash"?  
Science Forum; Beta Hi-Y; Band; Junior National Honor Society.

## MARTHA OLGA LUPISELLA

Busy as a bee—glance at those activities!  
Debate Club; Dante Club; Il Foro Staff; Basketball.







### LORRAINE MACK

We think that Lorraine's popularity is due to her permanent smile.

Advisory Board Representative; De-O-Wain-Sta; Gym "R"; National Honor Society.

### LESTER HERMANN

The catalogue industry took an upward trend when Lester became college-minded.

### ANNA MARASCO

In the chorus, Anna sings;  
Must be then that "songs have wings."

### ROBERT HERRMAN

"Bob" has quite a way with the opposite sex!  
Football; A Cappella Choir.

### OLGA MARUCCI

Olga, we hear, will be the Florence Nightingale of the class of '40.

Dante Club; Il Foro Staff; Science Forum; Chorus; A Cappella Choir; National Honor Society.

### FREDERICK HERT

Freddie is everybody's friend indeed.

### RUTH MASON

"Infinite riches in little room."  
Chorus.

## JEAN K. McKAY

Jean gets around and we all think she's swell;  
We wish her wealth and success, as well.  
Cheerleader.

## ALBERT HUBBARD

"Hub" doesn't need the Packard to make him the ideal man, but it certainly helps.  
Alpha Hi-Y.

## KATHRYN J. MEISS

Sugar and spice and everything nice—  
That's what Katey is made of.  
National Junior Honor Society; Chorus; Gym "R."

## JOHN ISELO

John is never so happy as when playing with little motors, generators and like gadgets.

## MYRNA MEYER

"Just a home girl."  
Home Economics Club.

## CARMEN IZZO

After each trip down the Capitol aisle, Junie has to take time out for rearranging his coiffure.  
Dante Club; Il Foro Staff.

## ANN MICHIK

All those girls without a "letter"  
Need to try, themselves to better.  
Ann, my friends, has earned her "R",  
For in gym, she's a regular star.  
Gym "R."







### ROY B. JEFFERY

Junior Honor Society; National Honor Society; Baseball Co-Manager; Senior Class President; De-O-Wain-Sta; French Club; Science Forum; Beta-Hi-Y; Junior Rotarian; Advisory Board; Boys' Freshman Award; Academic Honor.

### KAY MOSCA

Kay has set out to give daVinci competition.

### LEWIS ALFRED JENNY

We hear that "Bus" has discarded football togs for aprons!

Football; Football Captain; Basketball; Baseball; Treasurer of Senior Class.

### DOROTHY MURRAY

One of R. F. A.'s most popular starlets.

### ROY JENNY

Roy is quite a clever artist; he draws his breath—an' everything.

### BLANCHE ELIZABETH NYSTROM

We all join in wishing Blanche the best of luck.

German Club.

### LYNDON JONES

"Lynd" has an M. A. degree—Master of Automobiles!

## WARREN JONES

Bud's a ral to all his friends and his friends  
aren't all boys!

Student Council; Beta Hi-Y; Press Club Secretary; De-O-Wain-Sta; German Club; Science Forum; Senior Play; National Honor Society.

## BETTY O'BRIEN

"That bit of Irish steals our hearts away."

Press Club; Dante Club; Student Council; National Junior Honor Society; Secretary of Junior Class; De-O-Wain-Sta; National Honor Society.

## PETER C. KORNELL

So long, Pete, and loads of luck!

Chorus.

## ANN OCCHIONERO

For Ann it will be one step from R. F. A. to  
the Metropolitan.

Chorus; A Cappella Choir; Library Council; Treasurer of Dante Club; Basketball.

## JOHN KUCZEK

Good luck, John—from all R. F. A.

Chorus.

## ESTHER ORAM

To Esther apply the V's all three—Vim,  
Vigor 'n Vitality.

## EUGENE LAUBER

Everybody knows "Dutch" (the old cheese-  
maker).

Football; Student Council; Alpha Hi-Y.







### ROWLAND LUDDEN

"I agree with no man's opinions;  
I have some of my own."

President Roman Forum; Varsity Debate; German Club; Secretary Beta Hi-Y; Science Forum; National Junior Honor Society; National Honor Society; De-O-Wain-Sta; Senior Play; Salutatorian.

### BETTY PAGE

No wonder the rest of us can't do school work when Betty has all the books.

Junior National Honor Society; Press Club; Academic Honor.

### PHILLIPS LUNDBLAD

In his toga, so they say,  
Phil can outclass Cicero any day.

National Junior Honor Society; Debate Club; Beta Hi-Y; German Club; Science Forum; Junior Rotarian; National Honor Society; Academic Honor.

### GRACE PAGE

"Page"-ing all good seniors true,  
Grace has been a friend to you;  
Watch her in the future, please;  
Note she'll take the world with ease.

Debate Club; Press Club; German Club.

### JOSEPH MAMMOSSER

Joe has been staying at Wright's service station so long that his middle name ought to be "Texaco."

### STEPHANIE PAPROCKI

"Stef" is welcome everywhere.  
Gym "R."

### PATRICK McNAMARA

"To foolish men belongeth a love for things afar." Rita, for instance.  
Speech Club.

*Bob McNamara  
Lester  
Lusk*



### EDNA PERETO

We admit that history is rather difficult—  
how about it, Edna?  
Academic Honor.

### HAROLD MINER

They named him Harold,  
But we call him—Asia!  
Chorus; Beta Hi-Y.

### FRANCES PERRY

Is it any wonder that Kresge's business has  
improved since Frances has been working  
there?  
Student Council; Chorus; Library Council.

### GEORGE MYKYTEN

"A politician, one that would circumvent  
God."  
Vice-President Speech Club; Treasurer Speech  
Club; De-O-Wain-Sta; Intramural Boxing.

### DOROTHY PETERS

We haven't seen much of Dorothy this year,  
but what we have seen we'd like more of.

### WAYNE NEISS

When Wayne's father sent him to school, he  
said, "Remember, son, the world has no use  
for loafers."

### KATHERINE V. PETRELLI

Character and a warm personality.  
Gym "R"; Chorus.







### NORMA EUGENIA PETTINELLI

Anything worth saying will fit Norma.

### LOUIS NICOTERA

A cheerful smile speeds work along.  
Dante Club.

### GENEVIEVE PRZYBYC

Ivory keys that swell with music,  
Played by future artist "Przybyc."  
Press Club.

### PETER DANIEL PACE

Where do you pick up those words, Pete?  
Football; Baseball; Basketball; Boxing; Track.

### JUDITH JANICE QUACKENBUSH

We forecast immediate success for Judith!  
Chorus.

### LEROY PEER

"I have often regretted my speech, never my  
silence."  
Band; Orchestra.

### ANNA QUATTROCCHI

"Gym" is Anna's middle name,  
For here she earns her claim to fame.  
Basketball; Gym "R"; Archery.

## LLOYD C. PETERS

Rome gave us Caesar; and France, a Napoleon; but Mrs. Peters handed us this diligent disciple of knowledge.

President Science Forum; National Forensic League; Roman Forum; Debate "R"; Treasurer Press Club; President Beta Hi-Y; Sate Forensic Tournament; Junior Rotarian; National Honor Society; De-O-Wain-Sta; Slingerland; Senior Play; Academic Honor.

## MARY LOUISE QUINN

"Quinny" doesn't make much noise, but you know the old saying about actions.

## WILLIAM PELTON

When Bill's along, the job will be done.

## BETTY CAROLYN REGETZ

The reason for Betty's popularity is obvious. National Junior Honor Society; Orchestra; Home Economics Club; Library Council; Speech Club; Slingerland; Press Club.

## GEORGE PFLUKE

George is a perfect candidate for success.  
Chorus.

## THELMA RICHARDS

Thelma's strong for basketball  
And she never guesses.  
Magic fingers speed the ball;  
Then she never misses.  
Basketball; Gym "R"; Chorus.

## JAMES PHILIPP

It's rumored that E. K. stands for "Error King." Is it baseball or Latin, Jim?  
Beta Hi-Y; Debate Club.







### FRANKLYN PETRIE

I can't get over this "Dorn" thing!

Student Council; President Student Association; German Club; Treasurer Junior Class; Treasurer Beta Hi-Y; National Junior Honor Society President; National Senior Honor Society; Junior Rotarian; Do-O-Wain-Sta; D. A. R. Award; President Advisory Board; Science Forum; Academic Honor.

### OLIVE RICHARDSON

Olive's height is an asset.

Home Economics Club.

### HARRY PITTIS

Harry has a good time wherever he is.

Football; Chorus.

### JANE ROACH

Jane's sweet personality makes us all love her.

Junior National Honor Society; Home Economics Club; Library Council.

### JAMES POMILIO

Jimmy's fighting blood can't be equalized. Remember Oswego?

Dante Club; Football; Boxing Tournament; Intramural Basketball League; Intramural Baseball League.

### ANNA ROBERTS

Anna Roberts, there's a girl  
Full of fun and joyous whirl.  
Step right up and meet her now;  
To her future, low we bow.

Chorus; Basketball; Student Council; Archery Club.

### RICHARD RACE

The cares of the world rest lightly on his shoulders.

Debate Club.



### ANNA ROBINSON

To Anna, do we give three cheers;  
She's been so nice through all these years.

### PATSY RETROSI

All Pat needs to qualify for the Lone Ranger  
job is a white horse and a mask. Why?  
Football; Basketball; Vice-President Senior Class.

### MARGUERITE ROSER

Marguerite has made many friends at R. F. A.  
and she will make more in the ensuing years!  
Chorus; Home Economics Club.

### RADFORD JESSE RIGGLEMAN

Too bad Rad doesn't use his southern accent  
more often.

### ELEANOR RUMRILL

She is just, quiet, and kind—  
That's our Eleanor.  
Student Council.

### ANTHONY ROMANO

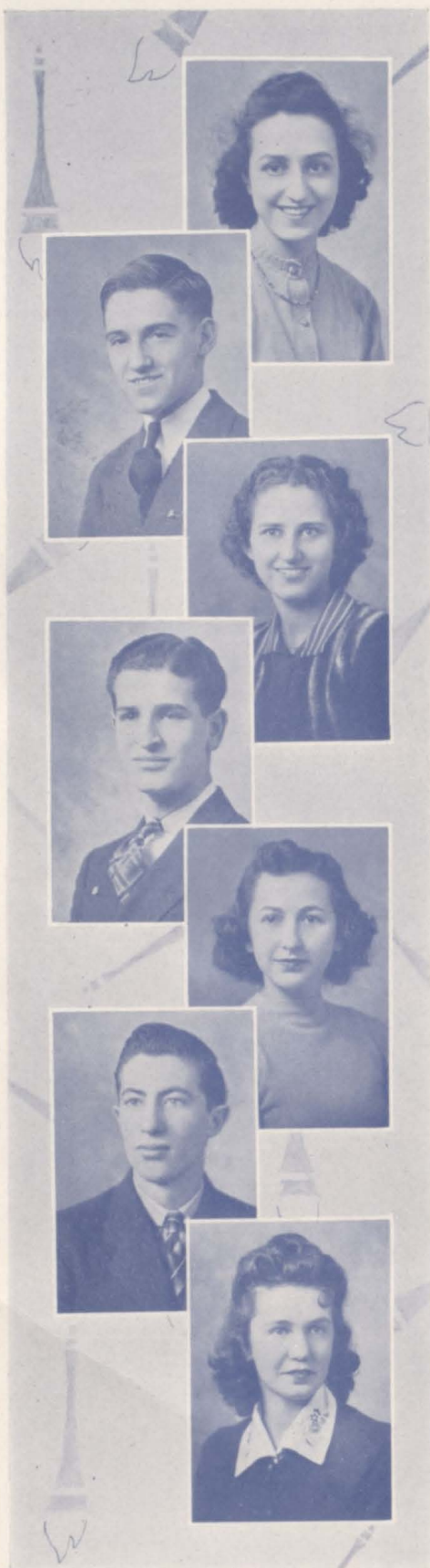
What would our class be without Anthony?

### HAZEL ARLEAN RUTZ

Few come as fine as Hazel!  
Junior Honor Society; Student Council; Library  
Council.







### CARMELLA SCHERZI

Quiet, calm, and diligent—what more can be asked?

French Club.

### SAM ROSS

A swell guy who can wield a fancy paint brush.

Press Club; Hobby Club; Do-O-Wain-Sta.

### DOROTHY ANNA SELDEN

Another fine R. F. A. girl—quality and character.

### WILLIAM T. ROSS

Here's one "Bill" that you don't have to pay for.

### EVELYN SIMPKINS

Evie cut her teeth on popularity!

Home Economics Club; Debate Club; Chorus; Archery Club; Basketball.

### JOSEPH RUBINO

We bid a fond farewell to one of our veteran high-school boys.

Track "R"; Boxing; Baseball.

### MARY SMITH

"Everybody's pal"—Mary's motto.

Home Economics Club.

### VIRGINIA L. SMITH

"Chatterbox, chattering all day long."

### VINCENT RUBY

God's gift to the ladies.  
Student Council; Hobby Club.

### JOSEPHINE SYNDER

When you really need a friend,  
Let her know; she'll lend a hand.

### GENE SAUER

Gene is looking for a little sugar.  
Football; Boxing.

### MABEL SPINK

We know a girl named Spink  
Who is pretty and nice, we think.

### JOHN W. SAVAGE

We don't know which occupies most of Jack's  
time—skiing or "sheing."  
Baseball Manager; Alpha Hi-Y; Student Council;  
Advisory Board.

### ROSE STAGLIANO

One of the reasons for the Normandie Club's  
success.  
Dante Club; Gym "R."







### AGNES STROMEI

There are some  
Who are not missed,  
But how we hate to see  
Our Agnes leaving us.

Press Club.

### PEARY SCHELTER

Peary will be missed because he always leads  
the applause in the auditorium.

Speech Club; Debate Club.

### GRACE SUMMA

Her ambition is forming her own newspaper.  
Press Club.

### ROSARIO SCUDERI

From now on Charlie's nickname is going to  
be Marvel Remember?

Dante Club.

### IRENE SZMURLO

Dear World, we present Irene Szmurlo!  
Academic Honor.

### LOUIS C. SLAWSON

Louis's motto is  
Wine and song—  
Women taboo!

### MARGARET SZRAMA

R. F. A. will have to get used to Margaret's  
graduating.

## BERNICE ALVIRA TARDUGNO

Determined to write an Italian book in dialect.

## CHARLES WILLIAM SLEEMAN

Charles never walks to school unaccompanied!

## GLADYS TAYLOR

We hear that Gladys goes to "Towne" every night.  
Home Economics Club; Archery Club; Chorus; De-O-Wain-Sta.

## ROBERT SPRIGGS

Folks, meet Bill Dickey's protege!  
Baseball.

## ELINOR THOMAS

"Tommy" is the "Cats."  
Junior High Society; D. A. R. Award at Junior High; Student Council; Vice-President of Junior Class; Secretary of Senior Class; National Honor Society.

## DOMINICK SQUILLACE

R. F. A. will miss Dominick—especially the band!  
Band; Orchestra; Student Council; Boxing.

## KATHLEEN TIBBITS

Quiet and dependable.  
Basketball; Home Economics Club; Press Club.







### ANTHONY STAGLIANO

Folks, meet the Gable of R. F. A.—complete with mustache!  
Band.

### MILDRED C. TREMBETH

If you see a smooth little blond  
Walking down the hall,  
That would be Miss Trembeth  
And not a star at all.

### JAMES P. SUITS

Good luck in aeronautics, Jim.  
De-O-Wain-Sta; Beta Hi-Y.

### GLADYS ELINOR TUTHILL

Gladys is very popular—and why not!  
Home Economics Club.

### JACK SULLIVAN

"Silence is golden." He ought to be rich.

### JOSIE URSO

Josie has a "jack pot" smile;  
To earn one grin, we'd run a mile.

### JOSEPH SUMMA

Don't worry, Joe! Let the teachers.

### LESLIE TELESKA

"O, that this too too solid geometry would  
melt" with apologies to Shakespeare.  
Science Forum; Football; Track.

### GLADYS WAWRZYNKIEWICZ

We're as "Gladys" we can be  
That our class has such a friend;  
To the girl whose picture you see  
May life's happiness extend.  
Chorus; Home Economics Club.

### JOHN B. VACCARO

Another from the great family of Vaccaro.  
Football.

### JANET WEISSMULLER

Janet likes magicians—Why?  
Home Economics Club; State Food Budget Con-  
test First Prize.

### BERNARD VAGNONI

Bernard inherits his dad's sporting blood.  
Dante Club; Intramural Baseball; De-O-Wain-  
Sta.

### ELIZABETH WHITE

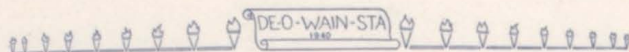
You're making a good start;  
Just keep it up, Elizabeth.  
Chorus; Home Economics Club.

### WILLARD VANDERPOOL

Willie has become a permanent fixture in  
his ??? years here.  
Basketball.







### RALPH VERGALITO

Ralph likes football,  
Ralph likes track;  
Ralph's a great fellow—  
We all know that.

Football; Baseball; Track; Speech Club.

### SYBIL WHELL

Blue orchids only bloom in your eyes.  
Chorus.

### FELIX VOLPE

The horizon is yet to be crossed.

### PATRICIA WIGGINS

Pat's effervescent pep set a new standard  
for cheerleaders!

Cheerleader; Debate Club; Junior National Honor  
Society; Home Economics Club; French Club;  
De-O-Wain-Sta; National Honor Society.

### ERLINGTON WALTER

It's difficult to determine which are louder,  
"Slats'" socks or his cheers.

A Cappella Choir; Cheerleader; Secretary and  
Treasurer of "Der Deutsche Verein"; De-O-Wain-  
Sta; Senior Play.

### JEAN E. WILSON

Basketball is quite a sport,  
If Jean's there, to hold the fort.

Library Council; Gym "R"; Basketball.

### ROBERT WICKS

Bob's got the ball—  
Is away at last;  
Trouble with Bob  
He's 'most too "Fast."

Football; Basketball; Baseball; National Junior  
Honor Society.

## WILLIAM WILLIAMS

Girls don't see much of "Bill" but boys think he's "tops"!

Beta Hi-Y; Science Forum.

## BARBARA WINBERG

The world's gain and the school's loss.

French Club; Debate Club; Home Economics Club; Press Club; Junior Honor Society; De-O-Wain-Sta; Senior Play; National Honor Society.

## DONALD WILSON

"Don" has been whistling "Three Little Fishies" so much that when he walks by Kresge's fish department the fish wave their tails at him.

## WANDA WITTMAN

Wanda went to Summer School so that she could have fun in her senior year—while the rest of us worry and stew.

Home Economics Club; Chorus.

## STANLEY WITEK

"Stan's" art skill is as great as his personality.

De-O-Wain-Sta; National Honor Society.

## ELSIE M. WUETHRICH

Elsie is not far from the peak of success—not with her smile!

## JAMES WRIGHT

Jim is the spark plug of R. F. A.

Student Council; Speech Club; Cheerleader; Beta Hi-Y; Intramural Basketball League.







### NICHOLAS YOZZO

Nick always has a smile for everybody.

### ELLA MAE YORK

Intellect is Ella Mae's middle name.  
Academic Honor.

### STEVE ZAKALA

Here's Miss Herrman's steadiest customer!

### FLORIAN BERNARD ZIENIEWICZ

Tall, dark, and—Hey girls, here comes  
Florian!

### JOHN WILKINS

You have to be a football hero to get along  
with that A— girl.  
Beta Hi-Y; Football.

## Academic Honors

Ruth Higham ..... *Valedictorian*

Rowland Ludden ..... *Salutatorian*

The following seniors have averages of 90 or above:

Phillips Lundblad, Ella Mae York, Roy Jeffery, Ann Lopuszynski,  
Franklyn Petrie, Dolores Colangelo, Irene Szmurlo, Shirley Long,  
Lloyd Peters, Velma Crook, Betty Page, Edna Pereto.

## Senior Class History

We seniors are now nearing the time when we shall leave R. F. A. for other fields. This will be no easy matter, for during our too short stay at R. F. A. we have enriched ourselves with vivid memories, dear friends, and a cultural background.

The fall of 1937 saw us marching gaily, and somewhat suspiciously, up Turin Street. We were put to our first real test when we were initiated in a school assembly. After that we caught the real R. F. A. spirit and plunged wholeheartedly into extra-curricular activities. Our splendid job of trimming the school at Christmas time won praise from juniors, seniors, and the faculty.

September, 1938, saw us enter R. F. A. quite proudly as full-fledged juniors. Participating in varied scholastic events—many of our fellow juniors winning athletic note—we wound up our busy junior year with the annual Junior Prom. It was at this event that we gave future juniors a mark to attain. Decorations for the gym were inspired by the World's Fair, with Robert Shaw and his orchestra furnishing the music. We all worked hard to put on the affair and we were rewarded by the biggest attendance in the history of the school.

Summer vacation over, we began our final year at R. F. A. We began our senior year with an entirely new method of class elections. Campaigns with posters, speeches, and parades galore were held, and then the final balloting. From this we turned to the task of publishing the De-O-Wain-Sta.

We are now nearing the end of our memorable four years. What lies ahead we know not; but we shall meet the future, confident, happy, and enriched.

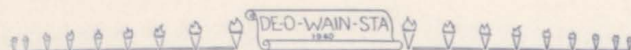
Our "Senior Week" rapidly nearing a close, our brief high-school career draws near its climax. Before departing, however, we should like to extend to faculty and fellow-students a sincere wish for a bright and eventful future.

### OFFICERS

Roy Jeffery .....	<i>President</i>
Pat Retrosi .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
Eleanor Thomas .....	<i>Secretary</i>
Alfred Jenny .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Lorraine Mack .....	<i>Advisory Board Representative</i>
Miss Kingsley .....	<i>Faculty Adviser</i>

ROY JEFFERY, '40.





## Junior Class History

When we entered the Fort Stanwix School as sophomores in 1938, it was a great event in our lives. At Christmas time we decorated the Fort Stanwix School auditorium and classrooms.

When our school was reopened after the memorable fire, our class officers sponsored a tea dance, which proved to be a tremendous success.

Now, as we are nearing the end of our junior year, we are planning the annual Junior Prom, which we hope will provide a source of entertainment for the entire student body.

We wish to thank the seniors for their many kindnesses and extend to them our desire for their success in the future years.

### OFFICERS

Marilyn Couchman .....	<i>President</i>
Sam White .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
Margery Ahles .....	<i>Secretary</i>
Bill Houser .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Harriet Stanley .....	<i>Advisory Board Representative</i>
Mr. James Atkinson .....	<i>Faculty Adviser</i>

MARILYN COUCHMAN, '41.

## Sophomore Class History

In the fall of 1939, we entered Rome Free Academy, where we were treated kindly by the gracious seniors.

Although there had been no bonfire before the Utica game in years, our class determined to have the biggest and best one ever. We don't mind saying that our fire was a success.

At Christmas time we decorated the auditorium and halls of the school. This brought to an end our official duties as sophomores.

In November 1939, the school was greatly saddened by the death of Everett Richmond, treasurer of our class. Everett was well liked by everyone and will be missed.

### OFFICERS

Tegid Jones .....	<i>President</i>
Buol Hinman .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
Nancy Wardwell .....	<i>Secretary</i>
Everett Richmond (deceased) .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Jeanette Semenuk .....	<i>Advisory Board Representative</i>
Miss Katharine Clarke .....	<i>Faculty Adviser</i>

TEGID JONES, '42.



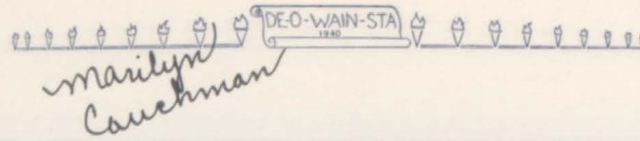
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## Advisory Board

*"Meet the members of R. F. A.'s Parliament!"*

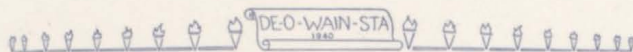
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Franklyn Petrie .....	President
Beverly Hooke .....	Vice-President
Marilyn Couchman .....	Secretary
Mr. M. J. Whittemore .....	Treasurer
Mr. W. L. Newton .....	Principal
Mr. Leo Meldrim .....	Coach
Thomas Coluccio,	

*Editor-in-Chief of De-O-Wain-Sta, Football Manager*

Bob Coventry .....	Basketball Manager
Roy Jeffery .....	Baseball Co-Manager
Harlow Williams .....	Baseball Co-Manager
Harriet Stanley .....	Junior Class Representative
Lorraine Mack .....	Senior Class Representative
Jeanette Semenuk .....	Sophomore Class Representative





Good Luck!  
Phyllis Skorobogaty

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Frank Glasso

## Student Council

*"A Government of the Students, by the Students and for the Students"*

### OFFICERS

Beverly Hooke ..... *President*  
 Sam White ..... *Vice-President*  
 Doris Grow ..... *Secretary*  
 Roy Wheat ..... *Treasurer*  
 Mr. James Atkinson ..... *Faculty Adviser*

### MEMBERS

Nancy Ackerman, Theresa Andronaco, Jesse Armstrong, Clark Briggs, Hunt Bright, Don Burtch, George Cascarella, Anna Ruth Cook, Freddy Dair, Donald Destito, Eleanor Dorn, Ada Edwards, Robert Ferguson, Frank Glasso, Doris Grow, Betty Heilig, Beverly Hooke, Bill Houser, Lodaska Kent, Victoria Kulisz, Charles Lanigan, Eugene Lauber, Thomas Moore, Betty O'Brien, William Robbins, Art Rowlands, Jack Savage, Louis Schelter, Phyllis Skorobogaty, Betsy Sontheimer, George Spriggs, Harriet Stanley, Doris Storey, Frank Taverno, Eleanor Thomas, Roy Wheat, Sam White, Nancy Windrath.





## National Honor Society

*"Character, Scholarship, Leadership, Service"*

### OFFICERS

Beverly Hooke ..... *President*

Ann Lopuszynski ..... *Secretary*

The following seniors were admitted in the fall of 1939:

Thomas Coluccio, Beverly Hooke, Roy Jeffery, Gladys Jones, Ann Lopuszynski, Rowland Ludden, Lloyd Peters, Franklyn Petrie.

These seniors were admitted in the spring of 1940:

Dominick Andronaco, Julia Baldini, Esther Beers, Clark Briggs, Dolores Colangelo, Velma Crook, Robert Coventry, Frank Donofrio, Janet Dowd, Glenn Duerr, Carmen Grasso, Ruth Higham, Norma Jones, Warren Jones, Phyllis Karcher, Phillips Lundblad, Lorraine Mack, Olga Marucci, Elizabeth O'Brien, Elinor Thomas, Patricia Wiggins, Barbara Winberg, Stanley Witek.

These juniors were admitted in the spring of 1940:

Mona Carlisle, Caroline Catricala, Marilyn Couchman, Donald Destito, Doris Grow, Robert Henry, Lodaska Kent, Eileen McMahon, Sherwood Monahan, Kenneth Nero, Vincenza Perry, William Schenck, William Sprout, Harriet Stanley, Ruth Tracy, Jeanne Valone, Samuel White, Nancy Windrath.





## Alpha Hi-Y

*"Ready, Willing, and Able"*

### OFFICERS

Richard Doty .....	<i>President</i>
Robert Henry .....	<i>First Vice-President</i>
Kenneth Nero .....	<i>Second Vice-President</i>
William Sprout .....	<i>Secretary</i>
Roger Morse .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Rev. David N. Boswell .....	<i>Spiritual Adviser</i>
J. Ward Brown .....	<i>Sponsor</i>

### MEMBERS

Robert Coventry, Timothy Curley, Eugene Czajkowski, Alex Dalglish, Roger Del Nero, Richard Doty, Glenn Duerr, Donald Flagg, Robert Henry, Buol Hinman, Foster Hooke, George Larkin, Eugene Lauber, Sherwood Monahan, Roger Morse, Kenneth Nero, Raymond Patala, Willard Prince, William Schenck, Claude Stedman, William Sprout, Robert Torrey, Harlow Williams.





## Beta Hi-Y

*"They do the same work as their brothers"*

### OFFICERS

Lloyd Peters .....	<i>President</i>
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## Dante Club

*"La Folla E' Tutta Qui"*

### OFFICERS

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*"Freut euch des Lebens"*

### OFFICERS

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## Hobby Club

*"No Man Is Safe or Happy Without a Hobby"*

### OFFICERS

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Ethan Seymour .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
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*"Their homes are their castles"*

### OFFICERS

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## Il Foro

### *"L'Adunanza Letteraria"*

This year Il Foro was awarded second place at the annual Columbia Scholastic Press Association Contest among high-school magazines published in a foreign language.

### OFFICERS

Frank Donofrio ..... *Editor-in-Chief*

Olga Marucci }  
Sam Liccardi } ..... *Assistants*

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Antoinette Bosco  
Theresa Caponera  
Theresa Mandronico } ..... *Competitors*

Mr. Joseph Palombi ..... *Faculty Adviser*





## Le Cercle Francais

*"Language is as much an art, as sure a refuge, as painting, or music or literature."*

### OFFICERS

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 Virginia Fielding ..... *Secretary*  
 Nancy Ackerman ..... *Treasurer*  
 Mrs. Pepper ..... *Faculty Adviser*

### MEMBERS

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## Library Council

*"Our Librarians of Tomorrow"*

Miss Marian Herrman . . . . . *Faculty Adviser*

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## Press Club

*"Journalists have always been our most old-fashioned class, being too busy with the news of the day to lay aside the mental habits of fifty years before."*

### OFFICERS

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cala, Dolores Colangelo, Velma Crook, Donald Destito, Virginia Fielding,  
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Jones, William Jones, Warren Jones, Eileen Kimball, Phyllis Karcher, Ann  
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O'Brien, Betty Page, Grace Page, Vincenza Perry, Lloyd Peters, Wanda Potter,  
Genevieve Przybyc, Sam Ross, Helen Smith, Flora Spadafora, Agnes Stromei,  
Grace Summa, Catherine Tibbits, Barbara Winberg, Sam White.





## Roman Forum

*"Quality not quantity argumentation"*

### OFFICERS

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Eugene Czajkowski .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
Lodaska Kent .....	<i>Secretary</i>
Kenneth Nero .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
Donald Destito .....	<i>Manager</i>
Mr. Gray Taylor .....	<i>Faculty Adviser</i>

### MEMBERS

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### ROMAN FORUM—(*Continued*)

Sears, William Schenck, William Sprout, Helen Smith, Claude Stedman, Peary Schelter, Ruth Tracy, Robert Torrey, Jeanne Valone, Ruth Jane Westerman, Marjorie Whitmeyer, Samuel White, Patricia Wiggins, Barbara Winberg, Nancy Windrath, Molly Ann Williams, Edward Szarkowski, Barbara Mitchell.

Members of the Roman Forum qualified again this year to enter the state speech tournaments.

This year the proposition chosen by the National Forensic League, of which the Roman Forum is a chapter, was: "Resolved, That the government should own and operate railroads."

The debate squad consists of: Robert Lippman, Lloyd Peters, Robert Torrey, Kenneth Nero, Betty Bird, Barbara Mitchell, Janet Dowd, William Schenck, William Sprout, Sherwood Monahan and Jeanne Valone.

Participating in the state contests April 19-21 at Highland, New York, Rome Free Academy speakers captured two first places, a second and also a third position. Betty Bird was accorded highest honors in the humorous declamation, while Barbara Mitchell placed third in this competition. Lloyd Peters and Janet Dowd won first and second laurels, respectively, in poetry reading.

Sherwood Monahan was elected congressman-at-large to represent New York State at the National Congress in Terre Haute, Indiana. Betty Bird and Lloyd Peters also were eligible to compete in the national tournament by virtue of their victories.



## A Cappella Choir

*"Without music life would be a mistake"*

MR. JOHN LUNDBLAD—*Director*

### SOPRANO

Carmella Aiello, Helen Brady, Eileen Graves, Ruth Higham, Gladys Jones, Ann Occhionero, Betty Perry, Vincenza Perry, Grace Summa, Gladys Taylor, Marion Vacheresse, Constance Elmer, Clara Lauber.

### ALTO

Julia Baldini, Effie Beckwith, Antoinette Guida, Viola Guida, Beverly Hooke, Eleanor Hoffman, Eileen McMahon, Olga Marucci, Ann Roberts, Ruth Tracy, Elizabeth White.

### TENOR

Ernest Greci, Robert Herrman, George Larkin, Harry Pittis, Donald Tulley, Erlington Walter, Lester Hermann.

### BASS

Glenn Duerr, Walter Eades, Irving George, Freddie Palowski, Arthur Rowlands.





## Science Forum

*"Non superari, sed superare"*

### OFFICERS

Lloyd Peters ..... *President*  
 Dominick Andronaco ..... *Vice-President*  
 Esther Bingham ..... *Secretary-Treasurer*  
 Mr. Whittemore ..... *Faculty Adviser*

### MEMBERS

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## Veritas Vincit

*"Our school's past connected to its present by mail."*

### OFFICERS

Mary Dublanica ..... *President*  
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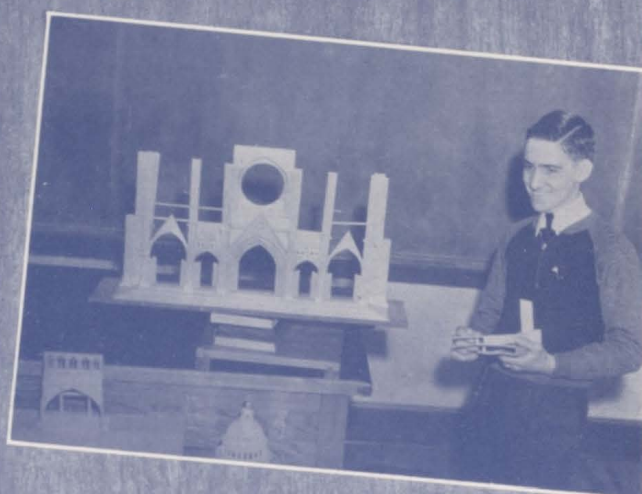
### MEMBERS

Antoinette Bosco, Ruth Braun, Mona Carlisle, Alice Del Vecchio, Mary Dublanica, Jane Fike, Ann Lopuszynski, Stephanie Lopushinski, Vincenza Perry, Betsy Sontheimer, Harriet Stanley, Ruth Tracy, Olga Tymn, Gloria Uvanni, Nettie Fike.





# Play Production



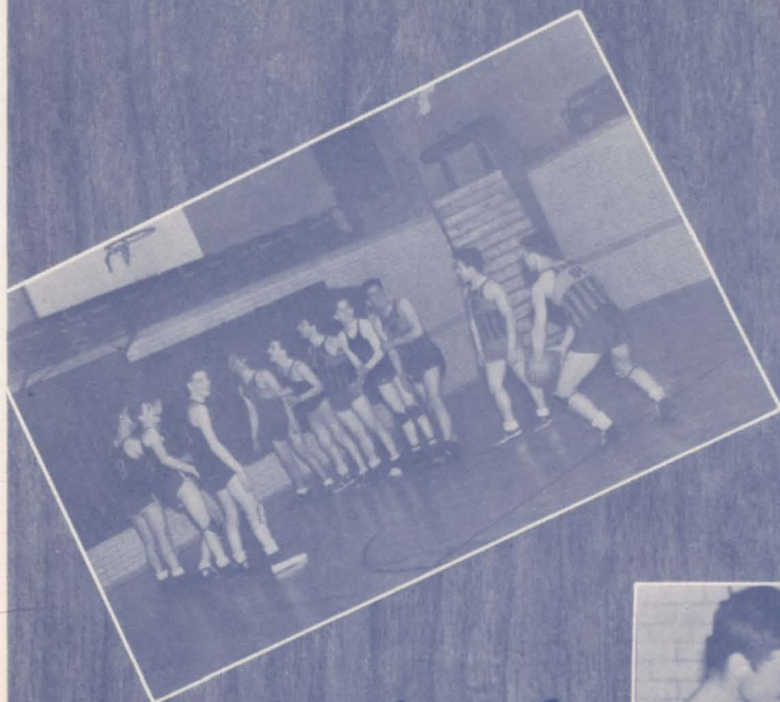
# Our Hobbyist







## Leisure Hours



## Fun in our gym







## Slingerland Prize-Speaking Contest

On May 16 the thirty-seventh annual Slingerland Prize-Speaking Contest was held in the auditorium. The contest, which is made possible by the \$1,000 fund given by Lizzie M. Davis, provides two first prizes of \$20 and two second prizes of \$10.

The program was opened with a selection by the band under the direction of Mr. Eustachio Pinti. Mr. Newton introduced the speakers. The program included:

Betty Regetz .....	"The Twelve Pound Look"
	by Sir J. M. Barrie
Sandina Neroni .....	"The Beau of Bath"
	by Constance D'Arcy Mackay
Betty Bird .....	"Cabbages"
	by Edward Staddt
Janet Dowd .....	"The Tragedy of Nan"
	by John Masefield
Barbara Mitchell .....	"Sparkin'"
	by Elizabeth Conkle
Robert Lippman .....	"The Unknown Soldier"
	by Henry Emerson Fosdick
Lloyd Peters .....	"The Big Parade"
	by Wesley Cartey
Roy Jeffery .....	"War Is a Racket"
	by Gen. Smedley Butler
William Sprout .....	"The Game of Chess"
	by Kenneth Sawyer Goodman
William Schenck .....	"National Apostasy"
	by Clarence Macartney



The speakers were coached by Mrs. Lyng, who deserves much praise.

Since the contest was held unusually late this year, the De-O-Wain-Sta is unable to announce the winners.

## Band

*"Here comes Rome down the field!"*

Mr. Eustachio Pinti ..... *Director*

### MEMBERS

Anthony Agone, Marie Bartlett, Alex Casbora, Thomas Coluccio, Jack De Agazio, Paul De Grazio, Francis Di Costy, Louis Di Rose, Charles Fabrizio, Sam Ferrari, Joe Flama, Harold Gypson, Robert Henry, Arthur Martzloff, Edwin O'Brien, LeRoy Peer, Thomas Procopio, Walter Quinn, Thomas Reese, Delbert Ritter, Arvon Roberts, Hugh Roberts, Michael Salerno, Anthony Stagliano, Claude Stedman, Leonard Summa, Marie Ventolieno, Joseph Yazzo.

## Orchestra

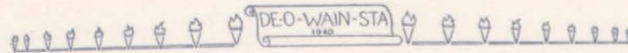
*"Music bath charm — !"*

Mr. John O. Lundblad ..... *Director*

### MEMBERS

Anthony Agone, Marie Bartlett, Antoinette Bosco, Jack De Agazio, Harold Gypson, Eleanor Hague, Robert Henry, Sam Liccardi, LeRoy Peer, Betty Regetz, Michael Salerno, Delbert Ritter, Claude Stedman.





## Senior Play

*"In a House Like This"*

### CAST

Mrs. Bradley .....	<i>Virginia Fielding</i>
Lois Ingals .....	<i>Nancy Ackerman</i>
Julia Murdock .....	<i>Antoinette Guida</i>
Eunice Ingals .....	<i>Barbara Winberg</i>
Bernard Ingals .....	<i>Rowland Ludden</i>
Ronald Murdock .....	<i>Erlington Walter</i>
Rhoda .....	<i>Ruth Higham</i>
Giles Whitaker .....	<i>Lloyd Peters</i>
Bradley Ingals .....	<i>Warren Jones</i>
Doty Faire .....	<i>Julia Baldini</i>
Mary Clurman .....	<i>Janet Dowd</i>
Noel Derby .....	<i>James Wright</i>
Hugh Ingals .....	<i>Carmen Grasso</i>

One of the outstanding events this year was the senior play, which was presented May 10. The production, "In a House Like This," by Lewis Beach, was greatly applauded by a large audience in the auditorium. We wish to express our appreciation to our able coach, Mrs. Bates, and to the entire cast for their masterly performance.



## Play Production

During the past year the newly organized classes in play production have been attracting much favorable comment. Under the direction of Mr. Gray N. Taylor, nine one-act plays have been produced.

"The Trysting Place" by Booth Tarkington and "Undertow" by Anne Weatherly were presented October 27th. The cast of "The Trysting Place" consisted of Edwin Castle, Ann Kessinger, Virginia Infanger, Jack Savage, Doris Froelich, Harold Gypson, and Tom Maloney. The cast of "Undertow," consisting entirely of girls, included Janet Dowd, Barbara Winberg, Nancy Ackerman, Dorothy Burch, Anna Roberts, Betty Bird, Rose Grieco, Betty Pepper and Jane Fike.

December 8th "Petticoats" by Marion Holbrook and "The Wonder Hat" by Goodman and Hecht were presented. Janet Dowd, Flora Spadafora, Nancy Ackerman, Ruth Tracy, Marjorie Ahles, and Eileen Graves made up the cast of "Petticoats." Walter Eades as Harlequin and Dorothy Burch as Columbine played the leading parts in "The Wonder Hat," supported by John Amoroso, Tom Maloney, and Anna Roberts.

Three plays, "The Idlings of the King" by Erle Remington, "The Happy Journey" by Thornton Wilder, and "Sparkin'" by E. P. Conkle were presented on March 8th. The cast of the first play consisted of Tegid Jones, Erlington Walter, Irving George, Anthony Carambia, Sophie LaQuay, and Nancy Box. The "Happy Journey," a play without scenery, was presented by Robert Beasley, Jean VanNoy, Jack Pittis, Shirley Copia, William Jones, and Julia Baldini. The cast of "Sparkin'" included Beatrice Larrabee, Nancy Ackerman, Anna Roberts, and Jack Savage.

On May 24th "Joint Owners in Spain" by Alice Brown and "The First Dress Suit" by Russell Medcraft brought the season to a successful close. "Joint Owners in Spain," directed by Marjory Ahles, had Betty Pepper and Doris Froelich in the leading roles, supported by Helen Mokrzycki and Betty Blackburn. "The First Dress Suit," directed by Nancy Ackerman and Jennie Bovi, was presented by Jack Pittis, Julia Baldini, Robert Beasley and Marilyn Couchman.

In addition to making four public performances, the class has designed and furnished sets for plays produced by other departments of the school.





## Cheerleaders

*"Let's have a long cheer for Meldrim's men"*

Clark Briggs, Adelaide Garcia, Antoinette Grieco, Marion Roser,  
Claude Stedman, Erlington Walter, Pat Wiggins, James Wright.



## Davis Essay Prize

Each year a prize of \$40, known as the Davis Essay Prize, is awarded to the junior or senior in Rome Free Academy who has written the best essay on a subject chosen by a committee composed of the President of the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Principal of the Rome Free Academy. This year the topic is "Propaganda in a Democracy."

The prize, which is half the annual income coming from the fund of \$2,000 bequeathed by Lizzie M. Davis, is awarded at the commencement exercises. The winners for the past three years are:

JANE LECKIE .....	1937
JANE REAL .....	1938
BETTY ANN LANIGAN .....	1939





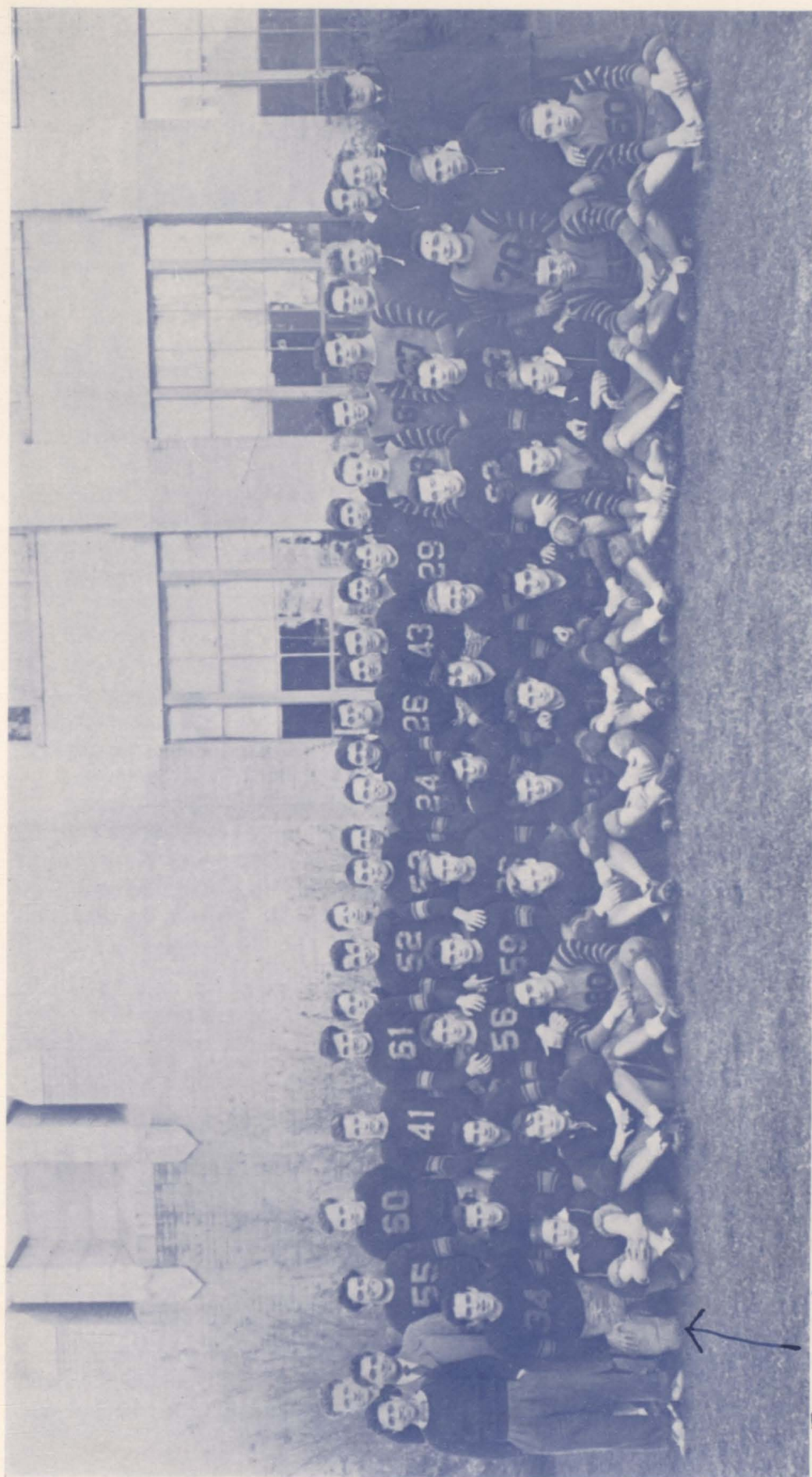
# RFA SPORTS

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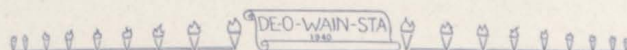




FOOTBALL SQUAD

Rex Small  
(Midnight)





## Football

LEO MELDRIM—*Coach*

THOMAS COLUCCIO—*Manager*

ALFRED JENNY—*Captain*

### ASSISTANT COACHES

FRANK SECURRA

ANTHONY RITCHIE

### LETTERMEN

George Brenon	Eugene Lauber	Bob Wicks	Gene Hoffmeister
Dick Doty	Walt Eades	Don Burtch	Bill Houser
Jim Ferrare	Pete Pace	Dan Vaccaro	Gabriel Ensenant
Albert Frasca	Pat Retrosi	Jack Wilkins	Bob Coventry
John Giaquinto	Armand Securra	Dick Edwards	Les Telesca
Jack Grogan	John D. Vaccaro	Paul Carrissimo	

### RESERVES

James Pomilio	Bill Mattoon	Dave Townsend	John Calicchia
Tim Curley	Kenny Nero	Walter Urbanski	Sal Spoon
Fred Dair	Jack Peal	Ray Wal	Roger Morse
Alex Dalglish	Mike Amato	Dan Mecca	Bill Levitt
Bill Fernandez	Jules Reh	Kenneth Bingham	Fred Kroll
Carl Johnson	Rex Small	John B. Vaccaro	Bob Keller
John Kerpec	Pat Salerno	Sal Campanello	Jack Boyce

With the return of only a handful of lettermen and a trying schedule ahead, the Orange and Black cause looked dim. The season turned out to be a successful one, however, because of the hard work of the coaching staff and a good turnout of aspirants.

On September 30th our squad traveled to Baldwin, Long Island, to play its initial contest of the season against the Baldwin High School football team. Although our boys played worthy football and outgained their opponent, Baldwin finally scored a touchdown midway in the final period to beat our team by the comparatively close score of 6-0.

The defeat by Baldwin did not daunt the courage of the Academy toters who next were the guests of the Blue and White team of Oswego. With majestic and smooth offense work, teamed with beautiful defense tactics, Rome had little trouble in smothering the staunch opponents. Pete Pace carried the ball over for two touchdowns and then threw a pass to Eades for an extra point to give the Academy a 13-0 win.



### FOOTBALL—(*Continued*)

The Men of Meldrim next played host to Vocational High School of Syracuse in their first home game of the season. With renewed courage from the Oswego victory, our team had little trouble in handing the Syracusans an 18-0 lacing.

On the following Saturday the Orange and Black gladiators went away to engage the Golden Cyclones of Watertown. The many tricks of the Golden Cyclones were of no avail as the alert Academy linemen, mainly Brenon, Securra and Grogan, plowed through the enemy wall to break up the plays. The only score of the game came on a pass from Vaccaro intended for Wicks but deflected by an opponent into the waiting arms of Bus Jenny, who went over to give the Academy a touchdown. After this tally, our team devoted its time to keeping the score intact. The game ended with Watertown on the short end of a 6-0 score.

Our next obstacle was the fairly strong Oneida High School team. The Duncanites came to Rome to protect their undefeated but twice tied record. The Academy had no easy time downing the stubborn rivals, but Pace and Giaquinto managed to score touchdowns and thus give our team a well-earned 12-0 victory.

Rome next engaged Ithaca at Wright Field in a game which proved to be the toughest of the season and ended in storybook form. In the final period with Ithaca leading by the close margin of 14-13, Retrosi and Wilkins tore through the enemy line to block a kick and give the Academy toters possession of the ball. With minutes to play, Pace threw four aerials before Bob Wicks finally snared the now historic pass and went over the line to put our team in the lead. The weary and battered Romans then settled down to hold back the power-laden Ithaca stalwarts until the final gun went off, signifying an Academy win by the score of 20-14.

November eleventh found our team away in Utica where it played its ancient rival in the final game of the season. Our boys met and defeated a hopeless Utica team. Combining deadly passing, tricky reverses and line plowing by the mainstay of the day, John Giaquinto, the Academy romped to an easy victory, showing devastating power to clinch the 4-A League. When the smoke had cleared away from the muddy battlefield the Uticans found themselves on the short end of a 25-0 lacing.

The entire squad was feted at a banquet by James Spargo in honor of the team's victory over Utica.

Let's remember not only the good work of the team but also the hard work of Coach Meldrim, the "Board of Strategy" and the reserves.





## Basketball

LEO MELDRIM—*Coach*

BOB COVENTRY—*Manager*

### LETTERMEN

George Brenon (Captain)

Peter Pace  
Alfred Jenny  
Bob Wicks

John D. Vaccaro  
Fred Dair  
Dominick Andronaco

### SQUAD

Tom Sawyer  
Jim Ferrare

Tony Sezna  
Danny Vaccaro

A fair group of veterans and hopefuls answered Coach Meldrim's first call for basketball practice. Three new players broke into the varsity. The team worked feverishly in preparation for the tough schedule.

Our team opened its season with a bang on December 12 by smothering a hopeless Oneida team with an exhibition of shooting rarely seen. The final count was 58 to 28. The Academy cagers next went to Utica to play Proctor and found themselves on the short end of a 36 to 24 score as the veteran Proctor sharpshooters easily found the range.

R. F. A. then came back to beat U. F. A. in the following game by a 36 to 27 score. On January 5 our team met and defeated a Whitesboro five by a score of 37 to 27.

The team worked hard to get in shape for its first tussle with S. A. A. The contest was a bitterly fought one, which saw the Academy quintet come from behind to cop a hard earned 31 to 28 victory.



### BASKETBALL—(*Continued*)

Rome next ventured to play Oneida and for the second time swamped the Indians, and this time to the tune of 40 to 23. R. F. A. next played St. Francis in our gym and easily took the visiting team into camp. The score was 46 to 32.

The Academy cagers then traveled to meet a strong Oswego team which they beat by a 38 to 36 score in an exciting overtime game. January 27 found the Black and Orange team of R. F. A. paying a visit to Whitesboro. There our team defeated Whitesboro, 28 to 21.

Proctor next came to Rome to play R. F. A. For the second time this season Proctor sent our team down to defeat. The deadly accurate Proctor veterans found the hoops to win 44 to 38. In one of the most interesting contests of the year R. F. A. defeated Watertown by the close margin of 31 to 30. The lead changed hands often but in the closing minutes with Watertown leading, John Vaccaro sunk two beautiful baskets to turn the tide and give R. F. A. victory.

Playing on its home court, Oswego evened its series with Rome by beating the Academy tossers. Oswego led through most of the game but was hard pressed. The game ended at 29 to 25.

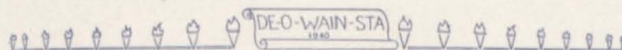
With only three defeats behind them the Academy cagers worked hard in preparation for their second meeting with S. A. A. The S. A. A. team was anxious to avenge the defeat suffered by them at the hands of R. F. A. in a previous game. Both teams were over-anxious for victory and a poorly played game resulted, marked by faulty passwork and poor shooting by both teams. S. A. A. finally took the nod after another bitterly fought contest by a 25 to 21 score.

R. F. A. next entertained Watertown in its last home appearance. The Romans played fine basketball and easily won. The score, 31 to 27. U. F. A. played host to Meldrim's men on March first. Our team encountered little trouble in outclassing the Yellow and White team of U. F. A. and won, 32 to 18.

R. F. A. played its final game of the season in the Whitesboro tournament. Our team was eliminated from the tournament by Proctor as the score board read 19 to 24.

The season was a successful one with the record book reading 12 wins to 5 defeats. The 1940 class wishes to thank all those concerned for their help in making the season such a fine one and it also wishes much success to the Junior Varsity.





## Baseball

LEO MELDRIM—*Coach*

ROY JEFFERY

HARLOW WILLIAMS

} *Co-Managers*

### SQUAD

B. Wicks

F. Dair

T. Sezna

T. Sawyer

D. Burtch

D. Raymond

E. Hoffmeister

D. Vaccaro

P. Finn

J. Peal

A. Frasca

A. Rowlands

J. Pomilio

K. Reed

J. Rubino

J. Sonsini

D. Flagg

M. Gary

B. Karlen

W. Gural

W. Mattoon

### SCHEDULE

May 1—Oneida

May 4—Oswego

May 10—Proctor

May 11—Watertown

May 16—U. F. A.

May 17—Oneida

May 25—Watertown

May 28—Proctor

June 1—Oswego

June 5—U. F. A.

A large group of aspirants answered Coach Meldrim's call for practice. A small group of veterans answered the call but the spirit of the newcomers foretells a banner season for R. F. A. in baseball.





## Girls' Basketball

MISS WHITAKER—Coach

### SENIORS

Naomi Baker (*Capt.*)  
Ann Occhionero  
Kathleen Tibbits

Helen Slocum  
Thelma Richards  
Mildred Lewicki

Mary Volmer

### JUNIORS

Shirley Sexton (*Capt.*)  
Anna Matinesko  
Caroline Pagliaro  
Jeanette Semenuk  
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Alice Rosen  
Vincentina Surace  
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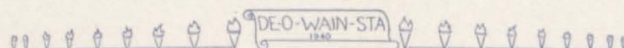
Irene Keller (*Capt.*)  
Jean Monobianco  
Assunta Ciccotti  
Concepta Destito  
Stella Bolanowski

Josephine Kuczek  
Myrtle Smith  
Josephine Stellato  
Concetta Esposito  
Marie Quattrocchi

The girls' basketball tournament ended with a tie between the seniors and sophomores with each team winning three games and losing one. Kathleen Tibbits was high scorer for class games with 35 points. Irene Keller was a close second with 34 points.

*Good luck!  
Irene Keller*





## Class Prophecy

"Oh, hum. Here I am back in my own home town on a vacation—and no excitement." But then a brilliant idea came to me. Why not go up to my Alma Mater and see what that play production class that Mr. Gray Taylor started in '39 is doing tonight. One can never tell! I might run into some of my old classmates.

Well, what does the ticket say? Why, one of the plays the class is doing is "Wagon Wheels" by the famous playwright, Barbara Winberg. She's an old classmate and already three of her books are Best Sellers!

Here I am, and it looks like an evening of excitement, because already I see notables of the 1940 class. Coming up the main entrance is our Metropolitan prima donna, Ann Occhionero. Critics say she has jumped to even higher heights in her latest triumph, written and composed by Eugene Pallo. Eugene Pallo is Beverly Hooke's nom de plume. Remember back in 1940 Beverly always had great ambitions of becoming a fine composer; and indeed, her ambition has been realized, for she is one of America's greatest. She also finds much joy in her hobby, sculpturing, and appeared on Hobby Lobby a few weeks ago, to display her fine works of art.

I sauntered over to the bulletin board and discovered that R. F. A. graduates were coming in a series of assemblies.

Jack Savage, famous ski instructor of the Alpine patrol, will lecture and show instructive movies of the art. (He taught the Finns, you know.)

Mrs. Buck Pepper, formerly Nancy Ackerman, will lecture on "Dangers of a Sprained Ankle."

Next on the list is Peter Pace, football coach at Notre Dame. He will tell the students about the great game and share honors with Mr. Bus Jenny, a journalist from Rider College.

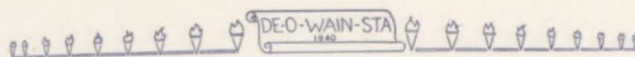
Now I move on to my seat in the auditorium. Why, over there is Mr. Rowland Ludden, a great scientist of our time. He used to be just "Butch." But since he won the Nobel Prize of 1955 for intensive research on "The Croaks of a Frog," we regard his genius and success with awe.

And right in front of me is Bob Beasley, who owns a combination aviation and dancing school. His school encouraged the weaker sex to become keenly interested in the art of aviation (?). Nice work, Mr. Beasley. I ought to tell him I had a letter from Tony Carambia the other day. He's playing at "The Broken Door" in New York City. He's leader of a "hot" quartet: Tony himself on the guitar; Harold (hot lips) Gypson on the trumpet; Tommy Coluccio on the clarinet; Dick Doty at the piano; and Viola Guida is the Blues Songstress. They're really turning 'em away at the doors.

There's my old friend, George Mykyten. He really has the limelight. He was lightweight champion of the world for four years—they say he had a "wicked left." That reminds me of his pal, Jimmy Wright. Poor Jim—he's still a Vassar cheerleader. But I guess that doesn't break your heart, does it, Jim?

Well—the programs for this entertainment were printed by the Clarke Briggs Printing Co. He took over when his dad retired. And even some of the appreciations were donated by members of the '40 class.





### CLASS PROPHECY—(*Continued*)

For example—

The Twin Sisters Beauty Salon—Proprietors: Miss Sofie LaQuay and the famous divorcee, Anna Roberts Derrick.

The Wiggins Professional Cheerleading School—which, by the way, brings candidates from all over the United States.

And the Pellam Dress Shop—Mrs. Vernon Pellam, (Betty Cameron) is helping her mother-in-law manage the shop now.

Intermission—So I strolled up to see the cafeteria, and was agreeably surprised to learn that at last, the student body has access to it now, but merely as a recreation center. Who knows! Maybe some day they may even eat in there. Stranger things have happened.

While in there, I tuned in on a radio and television set—and lo! I heard the voice of Roy Jeffery, the president of the '40 class, who gained political prominence by endorsing Roosevelt for his fifth term, and who is expected to be a candidate for state office this fall.

The station was then switched to the March of Events program, which comes daily from the Rome television station built by Roy Jenny, and managed by Mr. Patsy Retrosi. It is directed by Miss Betty O'Brien, who introduced Dr. Lloyd Peters, famous brain surgeon and his efficient assistant, Miss Carmella Gentile, R. N.; Dr. Ruby, dental surgeon and his hygienist, Miss Fielding, who have recently returned from rehabilitation work after the war in Europe. This program is sponsored by Mr. Warren Jones, half owner of the Jones and Jones Lollypop Factory, which turn out 20,000 red and green lollypops a day.

After the plays, which, by the way, were excellent, I dropped in on Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coppersmith, to find Mayfred Chomo, portrait photographer, snapping a picture of their cute three-year-old twins, "Check" and "Double Check." Julia Baldini was there, and kind enough to give us a solo. She sings at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York now, and is doing very well. I stayed there a little while; and chatting about our friends of 1940, I discovered that Dominick Andronaco is basketball coach of Southern California University. Norma Jones, R. N., of the New Rochester Hospital, has taken up child psychology as her specialty. And then I was happy to hear that Ruth Higham is chief librarian at the Carnegie Institute in New York City. Betty Regetz and Antoinette Guida are private secretaries to the owner of the new shoe string factory in town. James Pomilio is dean of Hamilton College. Marjory Ahles is the chief laboratory technician in the South branch of the Rome Manufacturers.

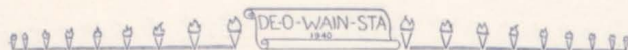
Ah! would that I, too, were famous—

After this delightful evening of amusement, I returned to my humble abode and for a while, sat in front of my fireplace and pondered on my evening's entertainment. How very exciting it was, after all, to see and hear about my class chums! Yes, indeed. I really am a proud person to know that I am a member of that class, that fifteen years ago started on its road to glory. It really is a glory road, because so many of them have reached the goal they were searching for.

Oh, hum! nice warm fireplace and happy, warm thoughts—

JANET DOWD, '40.





## Class Will

We, the class of 1940, on the aforesaid date, being of normal body, flighty mind, and without malice aforethought, forfeit all claims to sanity and hereby dedicate our last will and testament to the following:

"Butch" Ludden—A scholarship to Vassar.  
Janet Dowd—A new comb and a new mirror.  
Jimmy Wright—A ride to Utica every week-end.  
Pete Pace—An unabridged dictionary.  
Roy Jenny—A letter from Oswego.  
Sofie LaQuay—A new pair of shoes.  
Mr. Scerra—More detention cards.  
Ann Lopushynski—Ben Franklin's "Procuring Pleasant Dreams."  
Anne Roberts—A serious mood.  
Betty Regetz—A date for one week-end.  
Jack Savage—A new pair of ski boots.  
Betty O'Brien—A zero in American History.  
Bob Beasley—Some real hard work.

Sworn to in my presence and witnessed by the persons whose signatures appear below—

(Signed) Class of '40.

*Witnessed by:*

The Three Little Fishes.

Guess Who?

Ogden Nash.

Scarlett O'Hara.

Robert Benchley.



## Things We Shall Remember

Dick Doty's spectacular punting.  
 Bud White's bee-ooo-tiful purple sweater.  
 Beverly Hooke's smile.  
 Prof. Taylor's puns.  
 The bonfire before the Utica game.  
 Gyp being late for roll call.  
 Roy Jeffery's campaign for president.  
 R. F. A.'s "Q" Club.  
 Tom Coluccio's piano arrangement of "The Man I Love."  
 Pat Retrosi's vicious tackling.  
 Albert Hubbard's heavy morning beard.  
 Bob Coventry's basketball announcements.  
 Tony Carambia's portrayal of a villain.  
 Miss Owens's famous quotation: "Two hours."  
 The aerial spectacle of Pete Pace and Bobby Wicks in the closing minutes of the Ithaca game.  
 Jimmy Wright depicting a foreigner.  
 Prof. Scerra's detention slips.  
 Bob Atkinson's snappy dressing.  
 Those grand lectures by Miss Eysaman.  
 Leo Meldrim's laugh.  
 Edna Kroll's technique in dressing.  
 Jack Savage's skiing.  
 Mayfred Chomo's picture developing.  
 Janet Dowd's hair.  
 Lippman's gold tooth.  
 Lloyd Peters' Hi-Y meetings.  
 Those miserable mornings when Miss Herrman said, "Where's your library slip?"  
 Those lovely afternoon lunch sessions at Crook's.  
 Those sultry sophs who came up and thought they could run the school.  
 The George Mykyten, Pat McNamara and Bob Griffin triumvirate.  
 The staff's quotation: "I ain't got it done yet."  
 Those beautiful P. M.'s when we congregated on the front lawn with Miss So and So and had a lengthy talk.  
 Our marvelous assembly with Al Priddy.  
 Above all, the very good faculty which we were so fortunate to be instructed by.







Jay Griffin

# HUMOR HUMOR HUMOR









## Humor

**Mrs. Heath:** "Does that problem bother you, Roy?"

**Roy Jeffery:** "No, but the answer does."

**Agnes Stromei:** "What is an optomist?"

**Grace Summa:** "An optimist is a cross-eyed man who is thankful that he isn't bow-legged."

**Miss Owens:** "Can you tell me what a hypocrite is?"

**Esther Beers:** "A fellow who comes to school with a smile on his face."

**Miss Eysaman:** "Dick, why are the Middle Ages called the Dark Ages?"

**Dick Doty:** "Because there were so many Knights."

**Mr. Whittemore:** "If these scales are false they are like an ambush."

**Mary Dublanica:** "I don't see why."

**Prof:** "Because they lie in weight."

**Donald Flagg:** "Do you notice any change in me?"

**Glen Duerr:** "No, why?"

**Don:** "I just swallowed a dime."

**Nancy Ackerman:** "Why does Ann Kes-singer wear that black fur neckpiece lately?"

**Janet Dowd:** "Because she doesn't like her chin-chilly."

**Outraged and wrathful father:** "Young man, I'll teach you to kiss my daughter."

**Jack Ensminger:** "She has already taught me very well herself, sir."

**Spark Plug:** "I got fired yesterday."

**Battery:** "I'm discharged, too!"

**Mr. Lundblad:** "It must be true, as reported, that Jazz is dying, if you judge it according to the noise it makes."

**Could be—**"Rain makes the flowers beautiful. Why doesn't it rain on me?"—Betty Regetz.

**Wanted—**Some sympathetic senior to recognize a joke when he sees it and be courteous enough to laugh at it."

**Irving George:** "When two bodies come together violently they generate heat."

**George Mykyten:** "Not always. I bumped into a guy once and he knocked me cold."

**Editor (to new office boy):** "Here, count the feet in this poem."

**John Bielawski:** "I didn't know you bought that stuff by the foot."

**Dom Andronaco:** "Going to the Prom?"

**Ted Buczek:** "Yes, going stag."

**Dom:** "Why stag?"

**Tedd:** "Haven't any doe."

**Mr. Moe:** "Give me a concrete example."

**Jack Grogan:** "A cement sidewalk."

**Dick Doty says:**

"Atom is the place where things are blown to."

"A kiss over a telephone is like a straw hat; it is never felt."

"Water is a light-colored wet liquid which turns dark when you wash in it."

**Martha Lupisella:** "What shape is a kiss?"

**Bernard Vagnoni:** "Give me one and I'll call it square."

**Prof. Scerra:** "Young man, do you know why you are in R. F. A.?"

**Jack Goodsell:** "No, I'll bite."

**Eleanor Rumrill:** "How would you define 'black as your hat'?"

**Hazel Lutz:** "Darkness that might be felt."

**Mrs. Copia:** "What do you know about checks and drafts?"

**George Van Allen:** "Nearly everything. I've tended furnaces for two years."

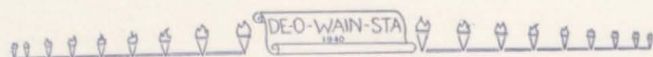












## HUMOR—(Continued)

**Felix Volpe:** "Have you any jokes to report for the annual?"

**Prof. Atkinson:** "I did have one, but I fired him out bodily."

**Thomas Aquino:** "Mildred, you talk like an idiot."

**Mildred Lewicki:** "Well, I've got to talk so you can understand me."

**Clark Briggs:** "She couldn't stay mad at me very long."

**Warren Jones:** "Why not?"

**Clark Briggs:** "She makes up every morning."

**Miss Davies:** "Would you refer to a train as he or she?"

**Mike Gordon:** "He, if it was a mail train."

**Franklyn Petrie:** "You'd better marry me. Eligible men are scarce."

**E. Dorn:** "I suppose I could offer that as an excuse."

**Barbara Winberg:** "What do you think of my new shoes, Pat?"

**Pat Wiggins:** "Immense."

### Extreme in Modesty

**Evelyn Simpkins:** In Trig class. "Two right triangles are equal if the hypotenuse and a limb of one equal the hypotenuse and a limb of the other."

**Miss Eysaman:** "Tell me, what is bankruptcy?"

**John Amoroso:** "Bankruptcy is when you put your money in your hip pocket and let your creditors take your coat."

**Art Garofalo:** "When I was a baby I was left an orphan."

**Wimpy:** "What did you do with it?"

**Dentist:** "Before beginning work on you I must have my drill."

**Bob Griffin:** "Great Scott Man! Can't you pull a tooth without a rehearsal?"

**Bob Wicks:** "Did your watch stop when it hit the floor?"

**Johnny Vaccaro:** "Sure, did you think it would go on through?"

**Miss Kingsley:** "Do you like Kipling?"

**Jim Wright:** "I don't know. How do you kipple?"

"Do you turn left here?"

"Right."

"Right?"

"Right."

"Right."

"Your turned right."

"You said right."

"I said left."

"I said right when you said right."

"No, I said right when you said left."

"Yes, but I said right when you said right when I said left."

"I know, but I said right when you said right—oh—heck—, move over and let me drive."

### You Figure It Out

Dear Miss Gray:

I am a girl in my teens and have been going with a boy who is very nice and goodlooking. I am beginning to think a little about him. When I go with him, the boy whom I like better than him dates another girl and makes it a foursome. There is another boy I like a little, and he also likes me, but goes with another girl because the girl likes him. The boy I date is very jealous and doesn't want me to go with anyone else. The boy that dates with us likes the girl that goes with the boy I like some and who likes me a little. What should I do—go on and date others and let this boy go? I like him and would like advice on how to let him know I also want to go out with others.

Dottie Burch.

Unquestionably, your first move is to number these men.

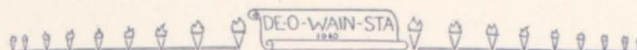
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Midnight, by golly—

**Rowland Ludden:** "What did you say this morning, Jim?"

**Jim Wright:** "Nothing."

**Rowland:** "Of course, but how did you express it this time?"





## HUMOR—(Continued)

**Mrs. Heath:** "Now watch the blackboard while I run through it once more."

**Miss Owens:** "Answer the telephone."

**Helen Jones:** "What did it say?"

**Teacher:** "Are you cheating on this examination?"

**Jim Briggs:** "No, mam. I was only telling him his nose was dripping on my paper."

**Miss Riley:** "What makes trees petrified?"

**June Turney:** "The wind rocking them."

**Professor:** "Why are you tardy this morning, Ludden?"

**Ludden:** "Class started before I got here."

"Those are my grandma's ashes over there."

"Oh, so the poor old soul has passed on?"

"No, she's just too lazy to look for an ash tray."

**How?**

Boy meets girl  
Boy walks with girl  
Girl talks to boy—  
Girl talks to boy—  
Girl talks to boy—  
Boy leaves girl!

**Mr. Whittemore:** "What's the formula for water, Pete?"

**Pete Pace:** "H I J K L M N O."

"What's that?" barked Prof. Whittemore. Pete slowly repeated the letters.

"Whatever are you driving at?" said Prof. "What gave you that idea?"

"You, sir," said Pace. "You said yesterday it was H to O."

**Prof. Taylor:** "Didn't I tell you to notice when the glue boiled over?"

**Jack Savage:** "I did; it was at 3 o'clock."

**Wilk:** "Are you sure your folks know I'm coming home to dinner with you?"

**Hackey:** "They ought to—they argued with me a whole hour over it."

**Old Lady:** "Oh, conductor, please stop the train. I dropped my wig out the window."

**Conductor:** "Never mind, madam, there is a switch just this side of the next station."

**Teacher:** "I'll teach you to sleep in my class!"

**Art Garafolo:** "Never mind—I already know how."

**Lloyd Peters** (noticing Bob Lippman bumping into an elderly lady): "Where is your chivalry?"

**Bob:** "Why I traded it in for a Ford. Didn't you know?"

**Dr. Schelter (to teacher):** "Don't you think my boy has some original ideas?"

**Teacher:** "Yes, especially in spelling."

**Bus Jenny:** "My father has two cars now."

**Bob Coventry:** "What do you mean?"

**Jenny:** "Well, every time I take the La Salle he gets the Willys."

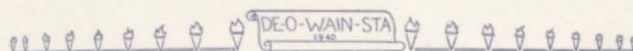
**Ginny Fielding:** "Will you buy me an ice cream sundae?"

**Carl Johnson:** "I'm sorry—I don't think I'll be here Sunday."

**Earl Walter:** "What do you mean, Dutch Lauber's car reminds you of a game?"

**Tom Coluccio:** "Why, 'Knock, Knock,' of course."





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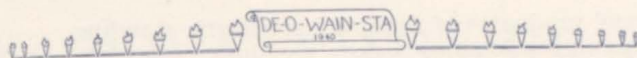
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